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[illegible]

Sweetheart, sweetheart, what do ye want o' me?
Low [illegible] lying, gulls are [illegible]
[illegible]

Little lips, sold lips,
I hear [illegible]
I hear their [illegible]
Where'er the shadows are.

Sweetheart, dear heart, what do ye want o' me?
Sunlight and starlight are over all the lea,
But dusty lies my heart, dear: rusty lies its key.
Sweetheart, sweetheart, what do ye want o' me?

Sweetheart, sweetheart, why do ye long for me?
Cold the falling snow was falling; white as snow were thee.

Little hands, soft hands,
Laid away to rest,
I feel their fingers [illegible]
[illegible] in my breast.

Sweetheart, dear heart, what do ye want o' me?
[illegible]
[illegible]
Sweetheart, [illegible] what do ye want o' me?
—[illegible]

A TUG ELOPEMENT.

It is only after much consideration and weighing of the matter that I am able to force myself to the point of telling the truth about the marriage and attempt at elopement which preceded the ceremony. And the determination to explain the matter briefly but fully is made simply in justice to Patience and her father, Samuel P. Yelnik, Esq., president of the Mogul mines and half a dozen other great financial concerns, for now I can afford both to pity him and laugh at him.

Furthermore, the newspapers published such ridiculous stories at the time that they really made us all ashamed, telling, as they did, how I chartered a steam yacht and snatched Patience from her father's arms and carried her away to sea on the palatial craft on which a clergyman was awaiting us, and of the demands Mr. Yelnik made upon the navy department to send a warship after us, and how he nearly succeeded because of immense contributions to the presidential campaign fund.

Of course only the antiadministration papers printed this last stuff, for it was pure stuff and nonsense. Nevertheless the wild stories were sent all over the country, and I have even seen cabled dispatches which were printed about them in one or two journals of London and Paris. And naturally, as you can understand, all this was very disagreeable.

Well, to begin with, I did think a great deal of Patience—there's no use in denying facts—and I had been half in love with her from boyhood. During the last year I had been with her more than usual, seeing her at home or on the links of the Country club and at various teas and club fetes.

And by sheer accident, I assure you, I spent the summer on the shores of Lake Champlain, making studies for two or three rather ambitious paintings, to be finished when cold weather came, and Patience was there, too, with her deep brown eyes and wavy hair and superb presence. I know this sounds like extravagant description, but it is accurate, for Patience is one of the finest specimens of young womanhood I have ever seen, thanks to inheritance and wheeling and tennis and golf and boating. She was visiting a cousin at Port Kent—a brunette with red lips and white teeth and the very mischief dancing in her eyes—and naturally Miss Elaim was interested in helping along a love affair—for where is the girl who wouldn't be?

I don't know how it happened, but in some way old Moneybags Yelnik heard of the situation and appeared suddenly one evening at the residence of Miss Elaim's parents. At the time his train from New York arrived Patience and I were strolling along the shore of Champlain in the moonlight, I'll confess, and when we returned to the Elaim home, some time after 10 o'clock, we found the callous hearted old fellow tramping up and down the veranda, smoking furiously and stroking his white whiskers in a manner that boded no good for us.

He never spoke to me, never acknowledged my presence by so much as a stare. Fact is, he utterly ignored me, and I'll admit that hurt my pride, confound him! He simply took Patience by the arm and marched her indoors, and next morning they went to New York before I had a chance to say farewell. But I was at the station, and as the train pulled out the dear girl called:

"Goodby, Fred! Don't worry. It's all right."

And then her father slammed the window and scowled as if he would like to bite me in half.

During the ensuing six months I worked as hard as I could, but never did I write to Patience, although I sent messages to her in Marion Elaim's letters and heard from her now and then through the same medium, so I wasn't really cut off, you see. I came back to town about the middle of September, and a week later Miss Elaim arrived at the Yelnik home in New Jersey to make a visit. But of course old Moneybags wouldn't allow me to see Patience, and naturally I had too much sense to call, but the deprivation was hard in more ways than one, as you will understand presently.

A month dragged by, and the time was approaching for Marion's visit to be concluded, when one Saturday afternoon I went aboard a ferryboat bound for Jersey City, whither I was to take a train for the town where Patience lived, and on the boat, for the first time in three months, I met Mr. Yelnik. He was feeling particularly amiable, probably because he had managed to "freeze out" some business rival in one of his great schemes, and he approached me, saying with a grim smile:

"How do you do, sir?"

"I'm well."

"Haven't seen you lately out at the house," he continued sarcastically.

"No, and you're not likely to," I replied, with emphasis. How long this conversation might have continued I don't know, but at that moment we passed in midstream close by a ferryboat steaming from Jersey City to New York, and one of the passengers on it, a girl we both knew, waved her hand to me, and I called out:

"Wait there! I'll be over at once."

Then the boats had swept by each other, and I turned to look at Mr. Yelnik. He was almost livid with rage, and he trembled as [illegible] a child.

"You villain," he said [illegible], "so this is how you [illegible] each other. [illegible]"

[illegible]

There were few passengers aboard, and Patience's father had the sense to speak in low tones to avoid a scene, but it was awful the way he swore he would put me in prison [illegible] and shoot me dead if I ever so much as dared to look at his daughter again. Of course he didn't get off the boat at Jersey City.

[illegible] you young villain, you [illegible]

My heart sank within me as he spoke, for, looking quickly at the passing craft, I saw her frightened half to death at [illegible] our plot had been discovered, but in desperation I shouted:

"Wait for me in Jersey City!"

She nodded, and then we were quite [illegible] again. Fifteen minutes elapsed before our boat left the New York ferry slip, and during that time Mr. Yelnik chuckled and slapped his knees and acted like a wild lunatic, he was so overjoyed.

"Waiting for me in Jersey City!" [illegible]

[illegible]

He went [illegible] and [illegible] come to a dead stop about 100 feet from the Jersey City ferry slip, blocked by a fleet of canalboats that were lazily crawling up the stream against the tide. I looked across them to the boat she had come over on. It was blocked inside of the slip, and, horror of horrors, there she stood on the deck ready to cross the river once more, having totally misunderstood the message I shouted.

A tugboat, awaiting to get down stream, slowly approached our craft and came to a dead stop so close that I could have stepped aboard her. Mr. Yelnik had walked to the other side of our deck, feeling safe so long as I was there and afloat. Like a flash I saw a chance to escape and called to the pilot of the tug:

"Want a job?"

"That's my watermelon," he replied.

Instantly I cleared our rail and leaped to the towboat, shouting:

"Sheer off, quick! Sheer off!"

The pilot rang his bells, the propeller whirled viciously, and we shot backward from the ferryboat as Mr. Yelnik rushed to its rail and swore at us.

"Skim around that fleet, quick," I called, hurrying up to the pilot house and pulling a $20 bill out of my pocket. "Now make for that boat in the slip and stand by till I get the young lady there, waiting for me."

"You bet I will," the pilot responded heartily. "Bully for you, young feller. I ain't been married long myself."

In less time almost than it takes to tell it we had come alongside the other ferryboat, and the dear girl was aboard with me, and we were speeding down toward the bay. When we were quite out of reach, the pilot asked:

"Now where do you want to go?"

"Oh, anywhere in New Jersey, so we can be married without stopping for a license—say to Atlantic Highlands or Long Branch or anywhere."

"You dear old goose!" exclaimed my betrothed. "Why, we can't get there under two hours, and by that time he will have telegraphed all over the coast to arrest us on sight."

"Good Lord!" I groaned. "What'll we do? I haven't thought of that"—

"Why, just let's sail up the Kill von Kull here to Bayonne and land in 15 minutes," she replied in a businesslike way. "He never would dream of our going ashore so close, but it's all New Jersey, and in ten minutes more we can find a minister and be m-m-married," she concluded, whispering and blushing.

And we did so and took the first train back to New York and telegraphed from our hotel to Mr. Yelnik that we would be glad to have him call on us with his wife that evening.

Since then we have been told that when the old gentleman reached home that afternoon he almost had an attack of apoplexy, for when he went up the veranda steps the front door was opened by his daughter Patience, who confessed everything—how she and I had never been really in love, but how Marion had become engaged to me that summer, and we simply had to be married clandestinely because Mr. Yelnik finally succeeded in prejudicing Mr. and Mrs. Elaim against me so that they refused to sanction a wedding.—Coffyn Moody in Chicago Record.

Hebrew Texts of the Old Testament.

The most ancient Hebrew manuscript of any part of the Bible is in St. Petersburg and dates no earlier than the tenth century. More than 2,000 copies of the Hebrew Old Testament have been compared, and very few variations have been found. This is accounted for by the fact that from the time when the Hebrew canon was formed, and even before that time, very strict rules were laid down for the scribes who copied the Bible. The lines and letters were counted, and each copy had to correspond precisely with the one from which it was taken. They calculated, for instance, that there were 5,245 verses in the Pentateuch, 23,206 in the whole Bible and 78,100 letters in Genesis. All of these rules and calculations were called the Masorah tradition, and about the tenth century the college of rabbis of Tiberias, on the Euphrates, decided upon a standard Bible, or "authorized version."

The Hebrew consonants alone had been written down up to that time, the pronunciation being a matter of tradition. Now a system of vowel signs was devised, fixing the sense in many instances. The vowels are just as important in Hebrew as in English; so it is easy to say how necessary this reform was. The English consonants b r d may be read bead or bread or bored or braid, and if they occurred in a sentence without the vowels we should have to guess by the connection which vowels were necessary. It is possible that after a text had been adopted all older manuscripts were destroyed, or more probably were neglected because of their defects, and hence they have altogether disappeared.—Review of Reviews.

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After the [illegible] hundreds of them.

AN INDIAN CRADLE SONG.

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] on the gentle cold,
And the [illegible] in the tree,
And the [illegible] the little child
[illegible]
So swing thee high in thy little nest
And swing thee low and take thy rest
That the night wind brings to thee!

Father lies on the fragrant ground,
Dreaming of hunt and fight,
And the pine leaves rustle with mournful sound
All through the solemn night;
[illegible] in his birchen nest
[illegible] as he takes his rest,
Till the sun brings the morning light.
—Southern Workman.

THE DERELICT.

BY CHARLES B. LEWIS.

I was [illegible] mate of the American brig Rosa, bound from Java to New York, and all had gone well with us for a fortnight, when accident brought about a [illegible]. Just as night was closing down, with the brig [illegible] along on an even keel and the breeze steady, I swung myself upon the rail to get a look at what seemed to be a raft floating past us. I may have been overcareless or a rope may have given way, but of a sudden I found myself in the water. The man at the wheel witnessed my mishap and gave the alarm and threw me the life preserver always ready for such an emergency, and I had no doubt of being picked up within ten minutes. I had seized the float when down thundered a black squall from out of the west, and next moment it was as dark as midnight and the sea all in a chop. I felt that it was all over with me then. The men would be lucky to bring the brig through the fierce squall without thinking of me. Indeed, if she had had 100 men on board instead of 12, they would not have dared to lower a boat. I got just one glimpse of the craft as she shot away into the darkness and then began to work to get the life preserver under my arms. I was buffeted and knocked about in the most confusing manner, and had the squall lasted five minutes longer I should have been drowned on the surface. It passed away as suddenly as it came, and ten minutes later the sea had calmed down, and I was floating with my head well out of the water.

I had gone overboard at about 7 o'clock in the evening. For the first three hours my hopes and fears made me alert, but by and by I felt a dull languor and was only half conscious of what was going on. An hour after midnight I was suddenly aroused from what seemed to be a troubled dream. I was bumping against something hard, and my first idea was that I had been cast ashore. It took me several minutes to shake myself together and make out that I was alongside the hull of a vessel. It was hard to credit the fact, but fact it was, and when I realized it I had scarcely more to do than lift up my hands and seize the low rail and draw myself inboard. I had found a derelict brig. Both masts were gone close to the deck, much of her bulwarks swept away, and I knew by the feel of her that she was waterlogged. I took one glance over her and no more, but dumped myself down on the deck and was asleep in five seconds. When I opened my eyes, the sun was an hour high, and a big albatross was poised directly above me and not 50 feet high. It did not take me long to master the details of the wreck. In the first place, she was loaded with Australian redwood and could not sink beyond a certain point; next, she had been floating about for months and months. There was some wreckage on her decks, but masts and yards and boats and booms had gone clear off her as they fell. She had settled down until her scupper holes were only a few inches above water, but owing to the buoyant cargo she could not sink deeper. As a sailor I made her out to be a French craft, and later on I discovered that she was the Marie of Brest. She was a small craft, carrying a crew of eight or nine men, and was a forecastle ship instead of having a deckhouse for the men. The caboose or cook's galley had gone overboard with the rest, but the doors of the cabin and the scuttle to the forecastle were tightly closed. The brig had been wrecked aloft in squall or gale and had at the same time sprung a leak. Whether her crew had been washed overboard or taken to the boats there was no means of telling until I had made an investigation below.

The first thing was to get something to eat and drink. After a few minutes' work I broke open the cabin doors and got into the pantry. There was wine in plenty, as might have been expected, and I soon came across some meat and biscuit in tins. I wanted water, but there was none to be had, and so, taking what I could lay hands on, I went on deck and made a fair meal. When this had been concluded, I returned to the cabin for an overhaul. All the charts and nautical instruments were there, nor had any of the spare clothing of captain or mates been taken away. I found the logbook, and though I could not read French I made out the latitude and longitude last recorded. As near as I could figure it out the brig was then midway between Australia and the Cape, and the date was nearly seven months old. She had drifted to every point of the compass, but must have drifted nearly 2,000 miles to the north to reach the spot where I found her. It was noon before I began an examination of the lazaretto to see how I should fare for provisions. I found flour, wines, table waters, preserves, boxes of biscuit, choice bacon, codfish and other articles in liberal quantity—enough to last one man for months. Forward of the cabin I found a storehouse, in which were several barrels of beef and pork, with four barrels of coarse flour, dried fish, beans, coffee, tea and other articles of food for the men. Forward of this were the water casks, a dozen or more, and all full. When I came to examine the forecastle, I found boots, oilskins, sou'westers and other belongings of the crew, to prove that they had not gone away in the boats. Indeed I was sure before I had half concluded my investigation that every man had perished when the brig was wrecked. It was night before I had finished, and I tumbled into the captain's berth and never slept more soundly. You may think it queer that during the day I had scarcely glanced around the horizon and given no thought to rescue, and that I went to bed with a contented mind, but sailors are prone to take luck as it comes, [illegible] I had made a miraculous [illegible] fairly safe on the wreck, and [illegible] nothing to worry over if [illegible]. [illegible] as I [illegible] the stranger, I would [illegible] a penny to be [illegible].

When [illegible] again I made a more thorough investigation of the cabin. In one of the captain's staterooms I chanced upon a chest which had escaped me the day before, and here I made a great find. There was about $1,000 in French gold and notes, $1,200 in English goldpieces and exactly $7,000 in goldpieces just struck off at the Australian mints. The money was in two tin boxes, but whether it belonged to the ship, her captain or to other people I could not determine. It was a big fortune to a poor sailor, and I remember that I acted very foolishly over the find. I counted it over and over again, and when I at last realized that I was rich I rushed on deck, with a wild hope of seeing a sail close at hand. But for the money I believe that the long days and nights which followed would have been rather contentful for me, isolated as the situation was. I had plenty to eat and drink, there was nothing to break my sleep, the wreck might drive where she would, but there was no danger of her going down. The discovery of the money was followed by a hope of rescue, and this again by worry and anxiety. I wanted to go ashore to enjoy my wealth. I feared that when rescue did come I should be robbed. I conjured up a thousand senseless fears, and the upshot was anything but beneficial. I have spoken of the general situation in a careless way. As a matter of fact, being a navigator, I took observations regularly when the weather permitted and pricked off the drift of the wreck on the chart. On the average the weather was fine, but there were days and nights when gale and sea tumbled the waterlogged craft about until only a sailor could have lived through it. Instead of lifting her the waves ran over her, and at such times the decks were two feet under water and the cabin was flooded. The cargo was afloat with the water in the hold, and as the wreck rolled and pitched the timbers rubbed together and produced noises which would have frightened landsmen into fits.

I kept an accurate reckoning, and I had been on the wreck just 49 days when I caught sight of my first sail. No doubt ships had passed and repassed me by day and night, but I could set no signal by day and from the first I slept all through the night. This sail was discovered early one morning, coming up from the south, and her course was such that she must see me. I had put the money into bags and the bags into bundles of clothing in view of a rescue, and therefore had nothing to do but wait. The stranger, which proved to be an English merchantman bound for India, but considerably off her course, was within four miles of me and had set a signal to gladden my heart when a big whale suddenly broke water close to the wreck. He was followed half a minute later by a second, which attacked him with great fury. The monsters put up a terrific battle, lashing and biting each other and kicking up a sea like a gale of wind. They at first drew away from me, but after a few minutes made a circle which brought them back. What I had feared from the first came to pass after a quarter of an hour. Half blinded by pain and fury, or feeling itself overmatched and desirous of getting away, one of the whales suddenly whirled about and came for the wreck head on. He was fully 80 feet long, and he came like a moving mountain. I made sure of my hold as I saw him coming, but he struck the wreck on her port side with such force that I was thrown across the deck and into the sea beyond. I heard the crash of planks and timbers, was tossed about by the waves, rubbed against the whale as he sounded and reached the surface to find the wreck a hulk no longer. It was simply a heap of floating debris. The strange ship drew nearer, lowered a boat, and I was picked up as I clung to a plank. The money was gone, all else but the timbers which composed the cargo had disappeared, and my adventure, surprising as it had begun, had ended in a manner strange enough to satisfy even the most imaginative novelist. I was carried to India by the rescuing ship, and I know that the French consul at Calcutta set inquiries on foot regarding the fate of the crew of the Marie. What they amounted to I never learned, but have always felt satisfied that all perished when their craft was dismasted. But for the fight between the whales I believe the brig could have been pumped out and sailed into port, but fortune is a jade who robs Jack Tar far oftener than she smiles upon him.

Persecuted by Office Seekers.

"The Inner Experiences of a Cabinet Member's Wife" is one of the most interesting contributions to The Ladies' Home Journal. In a series of letters the wife of a cabinet member writes to her sister of office seekers and of those in the departments. "You can have no idea," she anonymously declares, "how Henry (her husband) is persecuted by applicants for his influence with the president or with the heads of departments. He really has no influence outside of his own department, and he is wearing his sympathies into tatters listening to tales of woe. The saddest case that has come under my own observation is that of a maiden lady, fully 50 years old, who has worked in the departments ever since the war. Senatorial influence has kept her in all these years, but now that the civil service reforms are being introduced she is in despair, for, although perfectly competent at her work, she never in the world could pass one of those rigid examinations. She called upon me bearing a letter of introduction from Mrs. Arthur Folsom (Mary Allison), who married into one of the old families here. I don't know whether her family lost their means by the war or in some other way, but they did lose everything when she was a gay girl at the top of society in both Alexandria and Washington. She told me about dancing in a set of lancers opposite Abraham Lincoln, who, though awkward and angular in his dancing, seemed to enjoy it and always had a gay word for everybody. She says her feeling for Mr. Lincoln was something more than respect—it was more like adoration; that she has often wondered if people did not feel just so toward the great religious prophets who must have spread abroad what Mr. Lincoln did—an atmosphere of sympathetic kindness, trust, purity and nobility."

Culture of Vines.

An all important matter in growing vines is to see that they are constantly supplied with sufficient water. Planted as they usually are, in a situation where they are exposed to the sun a major portion of the day, the soil dries out very rapidly, and plenty of water should be given when necessary. In the event of red spiders attacking the foliage of the tender sorts of annuals, a daily syringing will quickly eradicate the pests. To induce a low, bushy growth in annuals, cut the tips of the runners. Hardy vines, such as wistarias, honeysuckles, etc., when not growing too rapidly, can be trimmed with little or no injury.—Woman's Home Companion.

The Man For the Place.

Mr. Beaumonde—How do you like the new coachman, my dear?

Mrs. Beaumonde—Oh, he's splendid! His hair just matches our pair of chestnut carriage horses!—London Fun.

It is not unusual for the Duke of Westminster's charity ball to amount to $20,000 a year.

IF LOVE WERE OTHER THAN PERFECT.

If love were other than a perfect thing,
Love were no gain, but only all a grief,
And better were to check its blossoming
Ere one poor bud could struggle into leaf;
To kill it in the spring,
If love were other than a perfect thing.

If love were other than most sweet of all,
Love were the bitterest gift of bitter fate,
And better were to spurn beyond recall
Its magic cup more perilous than hate.
Its sweetness were but gall,
If love were other than most sweet of all.

If love were other than the love of you,
Love were a poverty, and nothing worth,
And all the task that memory had to do
Would be to loathe the hour that gave it birth.
Love were not sweet nor true
If love were other than the love of you.

But love is love, and you are you, and I
Am I that dare to love you with a will,
Knowing that love is perfect, true and high,
And always greater than its greatest ill;
Knowing it cannot die,
Since love is love of you, and I am I.
—J. Colmore in Woman's Journal.

A VILLAGE ROMANCE.

There could be no doubt about it. Molly had been a different girl since she and John Lock had been "keeping company." At least this was what the village gossips declared, and surely no one would have the temerity to contradict authorities so well informed. And the village gossips had spoken truth this time. Molly, the pride of all Longville, the pretty country girl whom nature had endowed with a superabundance of animal spirits; Molly, the fascinating coquette, had been subdued, and John Lock, the village carpenter's son, had conquered. At least that was what all Longville thought.

John in himself, although boasting no ancient lineage, was, as the laborers termed him, "a cut above the ordinary run." Somehow without having had any educational advantages he had developed a strong love for books, and when the day's work in the little carpenter's shop was done he would go out into the soft summer eve, and a brisk walk over the hills would bring him to the rugged cliffs by the sea. Here he would throw himself down, and as long as the red shoots of the setting sun gave light over the land he would read with rapturous intent, and when at last it had disappeared in a blaze of color in an opalescent sea he would watch the stars and talk learnedly of their distances and of what constellations they formed part.

The good people of Longville could never quite understand John. He would astound them with his enthusiastic descriptions of fleeting clouds, would bid them hear a poem in the constant roaring of the sea and tell them that there were new worlds, of which they knew nothing, in pictures and books. But John was genial and kind hearted, and so, although his personality eluded definite analysis by them, they yet recognized him as the village favorite for the humbler and maybe more useful qualities of good fellowship and unselfish courage.

It was little wonder that when Molly and John commenced "keeping company" that Longville should talk. Never two persons had less in common, so far as temperament and tastes were concerned, and yet somehow, for a reason which even old Mrs. Knight, who had seen two generations of village courtships, could not explain, these two people of opposite dispositions were destined to share life's storm and sunshine together.

How they came to be engaged I cannot say. There was a meeting of the two, when the usual cheery "Good night, John," and "Good night, Molly," ceased to have the old prosaic significance. The untamed, restless little heart of Molly beat convulsively, and the roses on her cheeks burned a deeper hue when that evening John stopped her and insisted on her talking with him. I was not there, so that of what was said I am unaware.

This much, however, all Longville soon knew—that John Lock and Molly Lane had become sweethearts. How the good wives enjoyed standing at the doorway of their cottages and discussing the probabilities of a village wedding and what it involved! These good souls would have made the devious, sinuous track of these two lives much straighter and more direct than it was fated to be.

No event is too wonderful to become familiarized with, and so it was that the wonder ceased, and Molly and John for months pursued their pleasant way, dreaming the old love dreams common to youth since the world began. It was true that sometimes John imagined "his Molly" was restless and scarcely contented. She seemed to sigh for new opportunities of conquest. The old spirit, which he thought dead, reared its head again and gave warning of, although it never actually broke out in, open rebellion. Then John would be troubled and would search his generous, simple heart in the hope of discovering some excuse for the discontent which only too obviously was smoldering in his sweetheart's mind.

One week in the midsummer of the following year Squire Hurst's only son came of age, and the event was celebrated with great eclat by the whole of the inhabitants of the village. The lovely old park surrounding the hall was thrown open, and numerous were the al fresco attractions provided to amuse the assembled guests. The sports of the day terminated with a grand villagers' ball, at which the heir to Longville Hall himself was present. There had been many a rumor that Harry Hurst had been "a gay young spark" in his time, but tonight all ugly memories were lost in the pleasure and excitement of his presence among the common folk at the ball.

All seemed happy save one, and that was John. In spite of his best attempts to suppress it a great pain was at his heart—almost as severe as a physical one—as he saw his Molly being claimed for dance after dance by the squire's son. How she seemed to enjoy the distinction, too, as with flushed cheeks she was waltzed around in a whirl of excitement!

And when the evening's amusements had ended Molly seemed cross when John pushed his way to the front and claimed his right of seeing her from the park to her father's cottage gate. She was irritable and moody. John had never known her so before, and it was with a heavy, aching heart that he kissed her good night. Nor was the unhappiness of his mind diminished when for several nights after she refused to take her customary walk with him.

At length the climax came, and one evening, after he had succeeded in inducing her to come with him over the hills, he received the dread ultimatum which he had almost expected would fall. Molly was frank. She avowed shyly that she did not and could not love him and then, with a pretty, disdainful toss of the head, declared that she would be glad if he did not worry her any more. John took the blow quietly, but the agony of soul he suffered no one but himself knew.

Then grave whispers and nods and winks passed around from house to house in the village. There were talks in bated breath of secret meetings at night, and of Molly and the young squire being seen together. And John would be questioned, but he never answered. His sorrow was for himself alone—so he would tell himself—it could not be shared by the curious. It was his wont to go and sit by the sea, and there find a sort of melancholy satisfaction in the low wail of the billows as they broke in at the foot of the cliffs. As for Molly, after one final attempt to reclaim her, John avoided her. To have met her would have increased the inconvenience of both, and in his case would have opened afresh the wounds but hardly healed. In the months that followed the whispers took an uglier form, and Longville delighted the soul at last in a village scandal.

And so Molly went away and left her poor old father sorrowing.

There was only one who ever defended the fair name of Molly when it was made a byword with the young toughs of the place, who loafed outside the village inn or at the roadsides. John was never known to have become so incensed as when one evening in his hearing one of these thoughtless youths mentioned inappropriately Molly's name and coupled it with a foul epithet. Then he thrashed the young lout within an inch of his life.

After awhile the sad incident was forgotten—at least until Molly's return to her house again. Then trouble began anew. She was very much altered, and the roses had faded from her cheeks. In tearful sorrow she would sit and nurse her baby all day long.

The last act in the tragedy came when one day Molly's father received a note from the hall. The steward brought it round, and as Molly's father was growing old and feeble and his sight waning the steward read the note aloud. It was a formally worded epistle giving the poor, old, sorrow stricken parent a month's notice because the squire felt that it was "not conducive to the morals of the village that people of Molly's stamp should be harbored" in the midst of his cottagers. Needless to say Molly's father was almost broken hearted at the thought of leaving the house he had occupied for so long, while as for Molly herself her distress was too piteous for words.

One morning not long after John stepped down the old roadway, his face haggard, but the expression firm, resolute and determined. He presented himself at the door of Molly's cottage and was admitted. It was only a look they exchanged, and the floodgates were opened again, and, having sobbed on his shoulder awhile, Molly gradually recovered herself, while John, with a choking sensation in the throat which he tried in vain to keep down, avowed: "I have always waited for you, Molly. I knew you would come back to me."

"But I can't. You forget that is his," and she pointed in her anguish to the cot wherein the babe was slumbering peacefully.

John didn't turn his head to look, but he took Molly in his arms again.

And love was consummated in service.—London Sun.

FOR ORDER IN THE COURT.

A Protest Against Dramatic Demonstrations In Trials by Jury.

There is a practice the universal prevalence of which in our existing trials by jury makes justice a misnomer. It is a practice whose evils, so far as I can discover, have never been commented upon, or even appreciated, by the press, public or individuals. I refer to the whole method by which, right or wrong, innocence or guilt is sought to be proved by the counsel on either side.

Assume, for instance, a criminal case—for the same method is applied, though usually to a lesser degree, to civil contests. Beginning with the opening arraignment by the prosecution, thence through the examination and cross examination of the witnesses, the display of exhibits, on to the very end of the final harangues of the opposing counsel, the dramatic is never lost sight of.

The emotions, not the intelligence, of the jurors are appealed to throughout.

In a typical murder case which recently gratified the morbidly sensational element of the entire country the district attorney arose impressively, glanced about him ominously and then, with a tremulously tragic voice, proceeded to arraign the accused, charging him outright with the crime, practically assuming without doubt that he was guilty and endeavoring by the use of every wile of the orator's art to sway the jury to his mode of thinking. And this before the minutest bit of evidence had been taken.

Is eloquence a proper adjunct to our jurisprudence?

Heretic though I may be, I hold emphatically and with qualification that it is not. It has no place in a hall of justice, where, we are led to believe, the truth and only the truth is to be brought out. Eloquence, as manifested by oratory, is inimical to truth, which can only be discovered and established by calm, unprejudiced and dispassionate investigation.

Eloquence appeals to the emotions, and its victories are obtained by trickery—the trickery of masterful verbiage playing upon sensitive but unreasoning ears.

The claim that cannot be justified before the reason cannot be valid. Eloquence is the weapon of falsity. Truth and right do not require its use. The sphere of eloquence is the stage. In the pulpit, before the bar of justice and in the hall of legislation it is a source of unlimited evil.

I hold that for the accomplishment of justice all the theatric displays, all eloquence, all excitants to the emotions, should be banished from our courts of law by sentiment if not by regulation. They have no place there.

Judicial procedure should be along the lines similar to the investigation of scientific propositions and discoveries. The establishment of right or wrong, guilt or innocence, is something to be effected by cold, prosaic, rigid inquiry, step by step, as analogous as may be to mathematical demonstration.

We shall have to wait long for the time when this is recognized, but it will be in the indefinite future, and when that time does come we may be more confident that our courts of justice are such in something more than name.—Criterion.

A Greedy Little Fish.

The little fish known as miller's thumb—the fresh water sculpin—is one of the natural checks on the overproduction of trout and salmon. It eats the eggs and the young fish. It is found in all trout waters as fast as examined. It is very destructive. At an experiment once made in the aquarium of the United States fish commission, in Washington, a miller's thumb about four and one half inches long ate at a single meal, and all within a minute or two, 31 little trout, each from three-quarters of an inch to an inch in length.—New York Sun.

Gin is alcohol flavored with juniper berries, coriander, almond cake, angelica root, licorice, cardamoms, cassia, cinnamon, grains of paradise and cayenne pepper. Other substances are often used, together with alum, sulphate of zinc and acetate of lead.

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SMETHPORT, FRIDAY, FEB. 4, 1898.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

COUNTY.

[illegible] subject to the rules of the Republican party.
F. [illegible]
[illegible], Pa., Jan. [illegible], 1898.

[illegible] Assembly, subject to the rules of the Republican party.
B. A. DEMPSEY.
[illegible], Pa., Jan. [illegible], 1898.

[illegible] subject to the rules of the Republican party.
C. A. DORR.
[illegible], Pa., Nov. [illegible], 1897.

[illegible] subject to the rules of the Republican party.
JOHN W. CAMPBELL.
[illegible], Pa., Jan. 4, 1898.

[illegible] subject to the rules of the Republican party.
A. W. BOYD.
[illegible] City, Pa., Jan. [illegible], 1898.

[illegible] delegate to the state convention, subject to the rules of the Republican party.
L. BOWER.
[illegible], Pa., Jan. [illegible], 1898.

[illegible] delegate to the state convention, subject to the rules of the Republican party.
ANDREW BENSON.
Bradford, Pa., Jan. 11, 1898.

[illegible] delegate to the state convention, subject to the rules of the Republican party.
E. W. MITCHELL.
[illegible], Pa., Jan. [illegible], 1898.

THE National debt is now $15.41 for each individual.

THE Teller resolution was defeated in the lower House last Monday by a vote of 182 ayes to 132 nays.

McKINLEY has been President for almost a year and not a bond has been sold to maintain the gold supply. This would naturally cause Cleveland to turn green with envy.

As the situation stands it is just as sensible to charge the January thaw or the Fort Smith tornado to the Dingley bill as the troubles in the New England cotton mills.—Erie Dispatch.

GOVERNOR HASTINGS has fixed the dates for the execution of murderers as follows: Walter E. Goodwin of Tioga county, March 22; John B. [illegible] of Allegheny county, April 21; Paul [illegible] and Patrick [illegible] of Elk county, April 28.

ATTORNEY GENERAL H. C. McCORMICK announced last Monday night that he would not be a candidate for governor or any other office. This improves the chances of Hon. C. W. Stone, and it looks very favorable for him to secure the nomination.

AT a meeting of the Potter Republican county committee held at Coudersport last Tuesday, two resolutions were offered and both defeated. The first was to print the name of Senator M. S. Quay upon the primary ballots, and the second was to instruct the [illegible] elected to vote for Quay for [illegible].

CONGRESSMAN CANNON has introduced a very wise measure in the lower House of Congress. The bill provides for the publication of the pension roll in pamphlets, each State and Territory to have its pensioners [illegible] a separate pamphlet. This is [illegible] proper and if there are any [illegible] pensioners they will soon be discovered by the vigilant press.

"CHAIRMAN STEWART criticised the President's New York speech," says a Washington dispatch. So will Bryan, [illegible], Tillman and all the other political bunko sharps and repudiators all over the country. Their hostility is a fair tribute to his financial honesty and sanity. The President's canvass in 1896 was made on that line, and that is why he got his 600,000 plurality. The plurality would be a good deal larger than this if the election were held to-day.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

HON. CHARLES G. DAWES, the new Comptroller of the currency, has already at once, upon entering upon the duties of his office, issued an order which will be regarded generally as a thoroughly common-sense proposition. Mr. Dawes has found that in some [illegible] banks desiring to have special examinations have been in the habit of employing bank examiners outside of their official capacity, and [illegible] that the stopping of [illegible] will operate to the benefit [illegible] and obviate any possible [illegible] lack of official strictness [illegible] to any bank coming [illegible] the examiner's jurisdiction.

[illegible] to a wider audience, however, [illegible] the Chief Magistrate spoke [illegible] touched upon the government [illegible] in relation to the money [illegible] country. This duty, he said, [illegible] that the government of the [illegible] shall regulate the value [illegible] money by the highest standards [illegible] commercial honesty and national honor. The money of the [illegible], he said, must forever be unquestioned and unassailable. If doubts [illegible] they must be removed, and if [illegible] are discovered they must [illegible]. Nothing, he continued, should or will ever tempt the [illegible] to scale down its sacred debt [illegible] a legal technicality, but [illegible] may be the language of the [illegible], the United States will discharge all of its obligations in the currency recognized as the best throughout the civilized world at the times of [illegible]. These declarations will be [illegible] interest throughout not [illegible] country, but the world at [illegible] commercial citizens of the [illegible] without distinction of [illegible] the President's [illegible] it is just enough to [illegible] sound money, but [illegible] of public [illegible]—

Speaker Reed and the other Republican leaders of the House were of the opinion that the best answer to the Teller resolution would be its defeat by a vote of the House; consequently it was referred to the ways and means committee, unfavorably reported and defeated. It would have been an easy matter to kill the resolution without allowing it to be voted upon, but that method of disposing of it would have allowed the silver men to claim that the Republicans were afraid to give the House a chance to vote upon it. President McKinley also thought that the House would better defeat the resolution by a direct vote than by any indirect method.

It has always been the policy of the Republican party to make *every* dollar of our money as good as any other dollar, and to pay all government obligations in the best money. The party stood firmly by that policy when the greenback craze was sweeping over the country; President McKinley's last Republican predecessor—Hon. Benj. Harrison—reiterated that idea upon several occasions during his term, and the St. Louis *platform*, upon which President McKinley was elected, spoke in no uncertain language on the same subject. Therefore no one was surprised, although some of the silver men pretended to be, when President McKinley said: "Whatever may be the language of the contract, the United States will discharge all its obligations in the currency recognised as the best throughout the civilized world at the times of payment." It would have been surprising had he said anything else. No living man is a stronger advocate of the unlimited use of both silver and gold as money metals, providing that it can be brought about by the consent of a sufficient number of the nations which control the world's commerce to prevent the silver becoming a depreciated currency, than President McKinley, but he has the same horror of a nation trying to pay its just obligations in a depreciated currency, that every honest man would have of a solvent business concern which sought to scale its indebtedness.

Three out of four gold Democratic Senators: Gray of Delaware, Mitchell of Wisconsin, and Lindsay of Kentucky, voted for the Teller resolution, declaring bonds payable at the option of the government in silver, and one—Caffery of Louisiana, against it. Murphy of New York and Smith of New Jersey, Democrats who voted for Bryan, but who have claimed to be anti-silver in their personal views, voted for the resolution, and Gorman of Maryland, who is in the same boat was paired. The explanation of Senator Lindsay of why he voted for the *Teller resolution*—that it was nothing more than a declaration of fact concerning existing law—may doubtless also be palmed off on some of their constituents by Smith of New Jersey, Murphy of New York and Mitchell of Wisconsin, all of whom claim to be sound money men and all of whom voted for the resolution, but it is no valid excuse. The resolution has nothing whatever to do with the existing law. The original, offered by Stanley Matthews, when silver was at a premium and adopted by the House and Senate, was only a concurrent resolution, and never was a law. So that excuse wont wash.

In order to devote his time entirely to the campaign in North Carolina, Senator Pritchard will resign his place on the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee, and it is probable that Representative Pearson, who has been growing steadily in the esteem of his colleagues, will be chosen to succeed him. Speaking of his action, Senator Pritchard said: "The campaign in North Carolina this fall will command my closest attention. We have an entire legislature to elect, and if the Democrats should carry the State, they will at once undo all that has been done in the way of election laws. We cannot afford to let them get control, but the fight will be a vigorous one. The Populists will doubtless co-operate with us, as they will see the necessity of keeping the legislature out of the hands of the Democrats."

No distinguished visitor who ever came to Washington made a better impression in a short time than has President Dole of Hawaii, at present the honored guest of the U. S. A weak and vain man in President Dole's position would have had his head turned by the proffered official lionizing, which he has had the good sense to decline. Before arriving at Washington, Mr. Dole made it clearly understood that such things as military salutes and escorts were distasteful to him, and that all he desired was to be treated with the same courtesy that would be extended to any other gentleman visiting our country. He received the *President*, and Ex-President Harrison and many Senators and *Representatives who have called* on him, with a quiet dignity that at once won *for him their respect*, which has been enhanced by the general knowledge he has displayed in conversing with them. This week President McKinley will give a *state dinner* in honor of Mr and Mrs. Dole, and the two Presidents and their wives will hold a joint reception at the White House. *Present indications are that* it will be sometime before the annexation treaty is voted on by the Senate.

THE apparent determination of Mr. Bryan to make 16 to 1 and 16 to 1 the only issue so long as he remains before the country in the position of chief spokesman and representative of the Bryan Democracy, has led a good many silver Democrats all over the country to the belief that some broader man, who will not confine himself exclusively to a single hobby, is likely to be a more successful candidate for the next national campaign.

WILL Mr. Bryan's next visit be to China, in his endeavors to study the financial systems of other countries? He has brought back such glowing accounts of Mexico's prosperity, which country does business on a silver monometallic basis, that it is to be presumed he will find great opportunities for thought in the financial operations of the Flowery Kingdom, and methods which could be copied to great advantage in this country.

THE Dingley bill is giving another illustration of Mr. Bryan's justly celebrated teeter board figure. As the revenues rise, Democratic spirits fall. —Topeka Capital.

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than was expected. With payments through clearing houses 7.3 per cent. larger than in 1892, and probably the largest ever known in any month, with railroad earnings 11.2 per cent. larger than the best of past years, the fact that prices are very low only shows more clearly the increase in quantities of products sold. Nor is there any disposition to refuse orders even at present prices; indeed, the competition of manufacturers seeking orders alone prevents a rise. Most of them have all they can manage, many working night and day, and one great steel concern running on Sunday, but the works not yet filled with orders are seeking contracts at as low prices as have ever been made, indicating that even these are not entirely unprofitable. The settlement of wages on a 10 per cent. advance April 1st for 100,000 coal miners of the central region, with other changes, will tend toward a larger demand for products of all kinds, though also toward some increase in cost of manufacture. Political apprehensions have been allayed rather than increased by the presence of the Maine at Havana, and by the course of domestic events.

The flightiness and unreason of the stock market found expression in sharp *decline on* Monday, with the same occasion which caused a great advance afterward. Stocks closed $1.28 per share higher for railways, and $1.00 *per share higher for trusts*, with heavy domestic buying, and 40,000 shares net on *foreign* account. Substantial properties were prominent all but $25,000,000 of the Rock Island refunding issue having been taken before public offering, and reported consolidation of Vanderbilt roads was regarded as most promising. The increase of 15.7 per cent. over last year in earnings of all roads reporting gave reason for something more than the insignificant advance in prices compared with a year ago. The tonnage eastbound from Chicago is much the largest ever reported for the season, and advices of railway managers from the territory which they traverse are highly favorable.

Wheat has been conspicuous, rising 5 cents for the week with 3 1-8 cents for May options. Western receipts have been 10,009,053 bushels in four weeks against 6,043 712 last year, but Atlantic exports have been 12,003,828 bushels in four weeks against 7,103,674 last year, and Pacific exports, without Tacoma, this week 4,031,583 bushels against 3,454,995 last year. So heavy an outgo with wheat over $1 per bushel, and with corn exports for the four weeks equalling the extraordinary movement of last year, discloses the strength of foreign demand even better than current accounts of disappointing shipments from Argentina and poor prospects in Russia. Cotton has risen a sixteenth, notwithstanding the strikes in eastern mills and the official report of a decrease of 10.3 per cent. in British exports of cotton goods last year. Receipts still run so far beyond those following the largest crop on record that estimates once deemed extravagant are commonly accepted.

HONEST MONEY IN THE HOUSE.

If Senator Teller and his silver colleagues supposed they were taking the *offensive in forcing the twenty year old* Stanley Matthews' resolution through the Senate and sending it to the House, they are undeceived by this time. The *defeat of the resolution in the House* by a majority of fifty, on a vote that *followed party lines very closely*, should convince Mr. Teller and his *friends that the House of Representatives*, elected upon the issue of *maintaining the gold standard*, has not weakened, but is standing to its guns, and *if anybody is to be on the defensive* hereafter it will be the cheap silver advocates and not the *friends of* the gold standard

With the President and his Cabinet standing squarely on the St. Louis platform and the House, elected upon the same issue, voting by 182 to 132 to sustain the nation's *credit*, it is hard to see what the silver Senators have gained by placing themselves on record as irreconcilable Bourbons who have forgotten nothing and are incapable of learning anything. They have only revived a financial heresy against which the country voted when times were hard and business was depressed, to make it a hopeless issue in a period of business revival with ample time for the exposure of its fallacy and inherent dishonesty by public discussion.

Is it not enough for the House to defeat a dishonest financial negation. The challenge of the *free* coinage advocates in the Senate should now be met by the passage through the House of an honest currency measure based upon the recommendations of the Monetary Commission and the Secretary of the Treasury. Such a measure should be sent to the Senate before the adjournment of Congress, placing upon that body the responsibility for the defeat of a sound and sensible currency law. Upon the maintenance of the nation's faith with its creditors and the establishment of our currency system upon the soundest possible basis the friends of the honest fulfilment of public and private contracts should force the fighting in the election of a new House of Representatives in November next. The House did well in burying the Teller resolution under an emphatic adverse majority. It will do still better when it has passed a wise and sensible currency measure and made it the supreme issue of the coming Congressional elections.—Phila. Times

WARREN COUNTY LEADS FOR PENNSYLVANIA'S FAVORITE SON.

The Warren county Republican committee has adopted the following:

Whereas, *The name of* Hon. Charles W. Stone, our distinguished member of Congress, is being prominently mentioned throughout the Commonwealth *as a candidate for the Republican* nomination for Governor at the next State convention,

And, whereas, by reason of his high personal character, his eminent ability, his efficient and faithful public service in legislative and executive positions and his devotion to the principles of the Republican party, he unites the elements desirable in a candidate for that office; and knowing that he would wisely and conservatively administer the duties that would devolve upon him as Governor. Therefore be it

Resolved, That we heartily endorse his candidacy, and pledge him our united support; and we earnestly recommend his candidacy to the favorable consideration of the Republican voters of the State.

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Of the century, nearly done;
To unite and tell the story
Of its peaceful victories won.

"Though with hoary age it totters
Let its greatest triumph be
When we meet beside the waters
Of the mighty inland sea.

"It will be a sad bereavement
When its golden reign is o'er;
'Twas a period of achievement
To the world unknown before.

"It has seen the wind supplanted—
Its unstable moods defied;
As if by some power enchanted
Have the seas become less wide.

"For upon the restless ocean,
As across our broad domain,
Were those forces set in motion
Which shall never halt again.

"Long it saw the splendid pageant
Of the solemn years pass by,
Ere the chained that mighty agent
Lured by Franklin, from the sky.

"Now in every clime it labors,
Tireless, faithful, yet unseen;
It has made the world as neighbors,
Though the ocean intervene.

"And we'll crown with bays unfading—
Give the most exalted place
To the mystic, all-pervading
Force that conquered time and space.

"Let us bring our genius—treasure,
And combine them to array
All that will in greatest measure
Show the heights attained to-day.

"As we see the vast advances
Art and science have to show,
It confounds the wildest fancies
Of a hundred years ago.

"And the world may pause to wonder
As it looks upon the past,
If, from out the future, yonder,
It but sees the shadows cast.

"Of attainments yet more glorious
Which but eyes prophetic see;
When we shall rise victorious,
From degrading bondage free."

CHARLES A. OLMSTEAD,
In Buffalo Illustrated Express.

THE SENATE ON EXHIBITION.

On January 16, 1878, the Senate of the United States by a vote of 42 to 20 passed a resolution introduced by Stanley Matthews of Ohio, declaring that all bonds of the United States are payable in dollars of 412 1 2 grains of standard silver. Yesterday, after this idle threat had lain disregarded and harmless for twenty years, the Senate of the United States repassed it by a vote of 47 to 32. Seven, or one third, of the votes cast against the resolution in 1878 were cast by Democrats. There are a few—very few—so-called sound money Democrats in the present Senate, but with one exception their votes yesterday were cast with the silver Democrats, the Populists and those Republicans from the far Western States who for local reasons feel that they must always vote so as not to appear to their constituents to be "unfriendly to silver."

The resolution is simply a declaration of the law. It was true twenty years ago and it is true to-day that the United States government might cheat its creditors and keep within the letter of the contract by paying its bonds in light-weight dollars. Even this might be honestly done if the government adhered to its expressed policy of maintaining the two metals on a parity, so that the dollar of one metal shall for monetary purposes always be equal in value to the dollar of the other metal But this is not what the majority in the Senate want, as they voted down this identical proposition yesterday by a vote of 42 to 37.

The Teller-Matthews resolution has its value as showing the temper of the Senate and putting some Senators on record that they may find hereafter to be inconvenient. *It almost forbids the* hope of any currency or financial legislation *getting the approval of this* Senate which the House would pass or *the President be willing to sign*. It will have no effect at all on the policy of *the United States government*. The existing gold standard will be maintained in its integrity and the debt will continue to be paid in the best money that there is.

Silver Senators may fume and waste time in making dull silver speeches and passing impotent silver resolutions, and no great harm will come of it beyond a pitiful exhibition of the Senate itself. A sound money House of Representatives and a sound money President have still to be reckoned with, and they will see that good faith with the government's creditors is maintained inviolate and the existing gold standard is preserved.—Philadelphia Press.

Mr. Ward L. Smith of Fredericktown, Mo., was troubled with chronic diarrhœa for over thirty years. He had become fully satisfied that it was only a question of a short time until he would have to give up. He had been treated by some of the best physicians in Europe and America but got no permanent relief. One day he picked up a newspaper and chanced to read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy. He got a bottle of it, the first dose helped him and its continued use cured him. For sale by A. B. Armstrong & Co.

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Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 262, October Term, 1897.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss:—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said County, greeting:

Whereas, Anna L. Archer did, on the 5th day of September, 1897, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county, praying for the causes therein set forth she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, George N. Archer.

We therefore command you, the said George N. Archer, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the county of McKean on the fourth Monday of February next to answer the petition or libel of Anna L. Archer, and show cause, if any you have, why the said Anna L. Archer, your wife, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony, agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy. J. F. DAVIS, Sheriff.
P. R. Cotter, Libellant's Attorney.
Smethport, Pa., Jan. 31, 1898.

Notice.

THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS OF ADMINistrators and Guardians, having been settled in the office of the Register of Wills, the same will be presented to the Orphans' Court, to be held at Smethport, in and for the County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, on the fourth Monday of February, A. D. 1898.

First and final account of D. E. Haven, administrator of the estate of Orin Haven, deceased.

First and final account of Gilbert Mundy, administrator of the estate of Grant V. [illegible], deceased.

First and final account of Geo. W. Mitchell, guardian of Myrtle D. Maybee, (now Myrtle D. Keene) minor child of Jeremiah Maybee, late of Kendall Creek, Pa.

GEO. W. MITCHELL, Register.
H. M. [illegible], Deputy.
Smethport, Pa., February 1st, 1898.

Auditor's Notice.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF McKEAN COUNTY.

H. J. Brennan, Cashier, vs. The St. Jewett [illegible] First Glass Co. No. 94 Dec. Term, 1897.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, appointed by the above Court, [illegible] of the fund paid into [illegible] will meet all persons interested [illegible] of his appointment on Monday [illegible] day of February, 1898, at [illegible] at his office in the borough of Smethport, county of McKean, Pennsylvania, when and where all persons having claims [illegible] are requested to present the same or be debarred from coming in upon the said fund.

T. F. [illegible], Auditor.
Smethport, Pa., Jan. 28, 1898.

[illegible] and hands a host of women were gathered together in large [illegible] [illegible]

And [illegible] for the [illegible] snow and [illegible] building a house [illegible] provides the [illegible] hand of the [illegible] levy that rules the [illegible]. The light of the churches that [illegible] the world was [illegible] the shadow of the saloon that cursed the world. The same shadow fell across the school hopes and lay in the flowery paths of the homes and hung like a pall over the door posts. Everywhere there were pitfalls for the tender feet starting out on life's journey. The mother's kiss warm upon the cheek, the serpent's hiss cold up the ear, Unseen hands held mortgages over every cradle, a deed written in heart's blood over every home. And the air was full of lamentations, "Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted because they were not." And a mighty prayer was borne up to heaven, "Oh, Lord, how long?" "Who shall deliver me from the body of this death?"

And voices sweet as the home lullaby were answering, "Here am I, send me. Where Thou leadest I will follow," and a great joy came into my heart for the voices came from the white ribbon women. The came out from the homes. They held council together. It was for the children and the world grown gray in sin that they gathered in large and small places They are the mothers and daughters, the wives and sisters, seeking to save that which is lost. "And the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light." Around them, above them, a host of invisible helpers and about them a golden circle whereon was written, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit saith the Lord of Hosts."

And I saw again, as if far away and yet near, that which seemed to me a divinity, a priestess, whose command had gone forth, "Build me an altar. Let the wood thereof be the labor of willing hands; and the light thereof the love of willing hearts." And the priestess was the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and the number of her altars was ten thousand in that beautiful country they call America, and 200,000 women of that happy land had on the white ribbon, and were helping build the altars. In Canada, in all the cities and towns, the white twined with the blue was upon the bosoms of the women, and they were all building altars in the Queen's domains. Over the ocean in the old world, the same white light—which is love to God and man—shone like a signal glow and I wondered if they were not lit with coals from the crusade fire that blazed up in Hillsboro, Ohio, Dec. 23, 1872.

Out from the Golden Gate sped a ship across the seas and a white ribbon woman waved farewell to friendly faces and dear white *ribbon women from her own land*, as she carried their message to the Sandwich Isles, New Zealand, Australia and Japan.

Even now the incense of the new altars she has builded is ascending up to heaven and the links of the hearth stone fires, where the mothers and children kneel in prayer, are fast weaving themselves into a chain that shall encircle the world. From continent to continent, from shore to shore, the light of the altar fires glow, and the helpless and tempted, the weary and sad are looking with eager eyes toward the women with the mother love in their hearts and the sister help in their hands.

And I mused over this wonderful priestess, the W.C.T.U., Beneficent, wise, powerful! Walking through the earth and scattering blessings everywhere. Searching among the laws that govern our country and pleading for protection for the helpless children. Without money, without influence of position and power, establishing her claims upon the heart of the nation, she compels us to do good and brings us the larger good of the doing. No home so poor but she can enter therein; no prison so dark but she brings a light; no heart so lonely but she brings a cheer. She is no respecter of persons. She lays an embargo on the rich woman's time and purse, and both are given to her service. She says to the poor woman, "Come to me and I will make you rich in good deeds." She has walked over church fences and leveled them down, and taken the bar posts away She has folded up the pages of musty creeds and written thereon, "Love thy neighbor as thyself." "Love worketh no ill, therefore love is the fulfilling of the law." She is answering the prayer of Christ himself, "that we may all be one." Such is the mission of the white ribbon. Is it not one to be desired? Might not angels covet the work given to women?

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NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Court of Quarter Sessions of McKean county at Smethport, Pa., on [illegible] day of February, A. D. 1898, [illegible]

Jan. [illegible], 1898. [illegible]

Executors' Notice.

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WE INVITE YOU TO BRADFORD

BECAUSE—We can show you a greater variety in our lines than any smaller store can carry.

BECAUSE—We buy more goods, and buy them lower than other stores. We would never invite you to come here if we could not save you enough to pay you.

BECAUSE—Our knowledge is valuable to you on most of these lines. It is our business to know what is best, and why—and we do know.

BECAUSE—Our warrant stands back of what we sell here, and of what we tell you.

The store that undersells the hottest competition in Bradford—always—is a good store for you.

LAMPS.

A gold trimmed Banquet Lamp with globe, $2.00. An enormous variety of lamps at other prices Princess Lamps at $1.50.

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100 Different Styles. Small Portable Gas Stoves, $3.00. The best Heater ever sold at $14. Wood Heaters, Mantel Heaters, Pure Air Heaters.

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A stock of China that is not excelled anywhere. We import all foreign China direct. Exclusive agents for Haviland 100 styles of dinner sets, $6 7 per set and up.

HORSE BLANKETS.

The "Stay on" Horse Blankets and all other styles. Stable Blankets, $1.15 up. All Horse Goods are here. Fur Robes in all furs. Lap Robes at any price.

OIL WELL SUPPLIES,
STEAM FITTINGS,
LUMBERMEN'S SUPPLIES.

No need to tell you that in those lines we are recognized leaders.

L. Emery, Jr., & Co.,
EMERY & WEAVER,
The Great Supply House.
BRADFORD, PENN'A.

When at Store of D. C. YOUNG Buying Your

Hosiery, Underwear,
Dry Goods and Notions,
Boots, Shoes, etc.,

do not forget to look through the fine grocery department, where you will find many things to tempt you at very reasonable prices, for instance—

Maple Syrup, guaranteed pure, per gal.,	$1.00
Pure Buckwheat Flour, 25 lb. sack,	60c
Fresh made Dairy Butter, per pound	25c
Worcestershire Sauce, Durkee's Salad Dressing and Snider's Home-made Catsup, per bottle,	25c
Coffee, per pound,	12 to 35c
Tea, " "	25 to 50c

And there are other goods too numerous to mention at prices that cannot be beaten. Call and examine for yourself. Courteous treatment whether you buy or not. All goods bought and sold for cash.

D. C. YOUNG,
Jan. 4, 1898 Smethport, Pa.

Fall Millinery.

My stock has recently arrived and for style and quality it cannot be excelled.

FALL AND WINTER DRESS GOODS.

My new stock of single patterns is unequalled in this section. All the latest patterns—no two alike.

LADIES' FURNISHINGS.

Everything in this line that the most fanciful could desire. Don't fail to see my stock before purchasing.

Mrs. E. E. Chambers,
SMETHPORT, PA.

Where are We at?
Our Office is at
Smethport, McKean County, Pa.

BUT
We are with You if you wish to Buy
Lumber
Lath
Shingles
Siding
Flooring
Ceiling
Moulding
Doors
Windows
Screens
Glass.

Only a sample order will convince you that You're with Us

Call and see us, or write us for quotations.

HOLMES & GILFILLAN.

F. G. Lindholm & Co.

NEW
SPRING GOODS

EMBROIDERIES,
LACES,
WASH GOODS.

F. G. Lindholm & Co.
Dry Goods, Groceries, Shoes.
Feb. 4, 1898. Smethport, Pa.

THE NEW YEAR

is here and you can commence it in no better way than by having your picture taken. "See how you looked a year ago."

DON'T FORGET

that I can give you better figures on crayons than any agent.

THE LIGHT IS ALL RIGHT NOW TO SIT FOR PHOTOS.

"IKE" GLEASON, The Photographer.
Smethport, Pa.

"SHOES."

We will send to any responsible person SHOES to select from. We have everything in

Fine Shoes

In styles and quality that cannot be purchased in any small town. We make a specialty of FINE SHOES, every width and size.

BURT & PACKARD'S Korrect Shape Shoes for Men. We refer you to our many customers in Smethport.

R. W. Bloodsworth & Co.,
Olean, N. Y.

Commence the New Year by Smoking

The American Gentleman Cigar.

You will never regret the good resolution you have started. For sale at all first-class cigar stands in Smethport and vicinity.

McKean County Miner

Entered at the postoffice at Smethport as second-class mail matter.

SMETHPORT, FRIDAY, FEB. 4, 1898.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Another Tale of Two Villages.

The Goddess of Justice, with dignified mein,
Stands calmly aloft on her pedestal still;
And day after day, views the prospect serene,
In the village that lieth this side of the hill.
No landscape more grand could the Goddess behold,
Than that which is spread far below, at her feet;
Where valleys, and far distant mountains unfold
A vision of loveliness fair and complete.
Here nature, it would seem, had accomplished her best
Had even exhausted her consummate skill;
And then, in a spirit of horrible jest,
Had dumped all her refuse just over the hill!
Midst scenery like this, indescribably fair,
Was Smethport, most happily, poised to adorn.
While the town over the hill, in its awful despair,
Its envy would hide with a semblance of scorn.
Like the waif of a place some perpetual ban
Hath placed from affairs of the living apart
With straggling streets, neither beauty nor plan
And never embellished by nature nor art.
On whom any stranger, "well dressed," can impose
A prey for each humbugging device of old,
For the bricks that it buys are invariably those
That look scintillating, but never are gold.
Half dazed, it is dreaming of glass plants galore
But to people around it looks very plain.
The delirious mood will not last long, [illegible]
It knows that its castles are builded in Spain.
For its ways are well known to be devious dark;
Would prosperity woo with most charming conceit,
When it sent its ambassador down to New York,
With offers of bonus it never will meet.
Then sneer if you will at old Smethport, forsooth
Your schemes are transparent, far more than your glass;
We go right along in the pathway of truth,
And neither will borrow her rhymes nor her gas.
The old graven soldier still stands on parade,
And dreamily looks far away to the south;
While he thinks of the town that was ever afraid,
To try anything except with its mouth.

C. A. O.

—Civil court Feb. 7th.

—Too cold to say anything about Mr. Groundhog.

—Frank Rumsey has a very fancy pair of bobs for his dray.

—While attending court drop in and pay your subscription.

—Lindholm & Co., announce new spring goods this week.

—McCoy's drug store has a change of adv. this week. Read it.

—The days are growing perceptibly longer.—McKean Democrat.

—Do not miss the Kellogg Bird Carnival at the opera house Feb. 8.

—Mrs. Ralph Burdick, who has been ill for some time is improving.

—What show had our town when the King favored Port Allegany?

—Flour is reported to be worth only $300 per barrel in Dawson City.

—"Jack Frost" has been up to his eyes in business the last few days making ice.

—Clearfield county citizens have been converted by hundreds, says one of our exchanges.

—The citizens of Galeton, says the Dispatch, are making an effort to organize a board of trade.

[illegible] was lodged in jail on Monday on the charge of chicken stealing.

—The Ladies' Home Journal for February is exceptionally fine. Secure a copy and be convinced.

—The Knights of St. John and Malta have moved their effects from the Odd Fellows' Hall to Backus Hall.

—Ames' bakery located on North Union street, Olean, was destroyed by fire early Wednesday morning.

—January kept up its reputation as a winter month and February, not to be out done, came in with Klondike weather.

—R. W. [illegible] is at his old tricks—selling goods at surprisingly low prices. Read his adv. and don't forget to call when in Olean.

—From present indications Willie Fuller, our crackajack blonde twirler, will not be with us next season. Several minor league teams have an eye on Willie.

—Our popular poet has very neatly touched up the village over the hill on the Davis farm this week, and without any borrowed plumage. Do not fail to read it.

—Miss Beaman was enthusiastically received, and played her selections exquisitely, and as usual scored a success.—Boston Times. Opera house Tuesday evening, Feb. 8.

—The St. James Hotel at Cuba, N. Y., was destroyed by fire early Wednesday morning. Two buildings adjoining the hotel were also destroyed. Loss $15,000, nearly covered by insurance.

—There is considerable kicking going on over in old Potter. Court convenes there Feb 14. Township elections are to be held Feb. 15. Hence jurymen, besides many others, will lose their vote.

—Col. Fox of the St. James hotel, Bradford, compliments his host of friends by sending out a very neat and compact diary for 1898. The Colonel is always up-to-date and never fails to catch on.

—List of letters remaining in the postoffice for the week ending Jan. 29, 1898: H. wiand, B. J.; Hedberg, Johan; Marsh, O. B.; Overland, Gunda. Persons calling for these letters please say "advertised."

—Fulton county, which laps the southern boundary line of the State and never had the iron horse bounding over its domain will soon have a railroad. This is the only county in the State without a railroad.

—The MINER desires to congratulate Ralph Burdick on his appointment as cashier in the banking house of Messrs. Henry Hamlin & Son. It is a position of considerable importance and he is well qualified to fill it.

—Next week the MINER will commence the publication of a very interesting story entitled "The Time When Men Were Scarce." Send in your subscription, $1.00 cash in advance, and secure the initial number.

—The remains of Mrs. Frank Beamer, who died at [illegible] last Monday after a brief illness, were brought to Eldred and placed in the cemetery there yesterday. Mrs. Beamer was formerly Miss Jennie Wolcott of Eldred.

—Mrs. Kellogg proved the heart's delight of the audience and the charming contralto could not but feel a pardonable pride at the sustained manifestations of approval.—Norristown (Pa.) Times. At the opera house Feb. 8.

—Olean has three oil refineries which furnish work to 500 men, five tanneries which give employment to 800, car shops which care for nearly 1000, a glass factory in which 300 work, besides numerous other small concerns.—Ceres Mail.

—Miss Grace Eldredge has been very successful during the past season, her personal charm of face and voice being heightened by a strong and versatile style, displayed in a large repertoire.—Boston Sunday Herald. Opera house Feb. 8.

—W. G. Roberts of Eldred has acquired joking propensities of late. He sprung a three-story pencil racket on the court house officials last Monday quite successfully, and afterwards tried it on ye editor, but we had been there. Come again, Will.

—Early last Saturday morning fire was discovered in the meat market of McCarty and Amend at Clermont. Building and contents almost entirely destroyed. Estimated loss $800; insurance $500. Some other buildings were slightly damaged.

—In spite of the severe snow storms that we have had lately Superintendent McKenna has kept the road open and trains have made their regular trips between Bradford, Kane and this place. The MINER congratulates that gentleman for his energy.

—The Kane Republican of Monday contains an account of the death of John Scott, an old and highly respected citizen of Kane. While waiting on a customer he complained of a pain in the region of his heart. He expired before medical aid could reach him.

—Frank Anderson and John Bergquist will move to Hazelhurst the first of next week. They will start a shoe and tailor shop in a building which they are now erecting. Frank will take care of the shoe business and John will superintend the tailoring establishment.

—William Schoonover of Palmerville became insane a few weeks ago and was taken to Warren by County Commissioner Young last Saturday. Schoonover was raving wild some of the time and had to be put on the cars by force. He has a wife and six small children.

—John Cannon, Jr., of Lewis Run brought us a sample slate brick from the works located there that for neatness and workmanship would be hard to excel anywhere. It is faced with enamel in white, green and purple, with the name of Mr. J. McGuier neatly stamped on the face of it.

—"Wit and Wisdom of Women in Paris," is the subject of Miss De Forest's letter in this week's Harper's Bazar. The number also contains a department on music, and the usual one devoted to the interests of women's clubs; and a long installment of William Black's new story, "Wild Eelin."

—Four narrow gauge car loads of wool were shipped from the C. N. Y. & W. station at Ceres, Monday. The wool was purchased from the farmers along the Oswayo Valley and was of fine quality. It was shipped to H. C. Ball & Co., of Philadelphia, Pa. The total weight of the wool was 20,000 pounds.—Ceres Mail.

—Read the new broad gauge advertisement of John Vanblad, who has rented the new blacksmith shop of T. H. Purtle. Mr. Vanblad is known as a first class workman, having been in the employ of C. W. Lilgendahl for 5 years, besides being employed at other places in this section. He thoroughly understands the business. Give him a call.

—A newspaper may publish column after column in laudation of a man or firm and they think it is only a duty you owe to the public to commend them; but print one line that can be constructed as a reflection, and they are up on their high horse in a minute, and all the good things you have said count for naught. And yet a majority of people will claim that they like to see a paper fearless and outspoken.—Ex.

—There is considerable doubt in the minds of people living in the neighborhood of Port Allegany as to which has given the natives of the village on the farm the most pleasure—securing the Appert glass works or beating Smethport out of them. Presumably the latter.

—At the K. O. T. M. [illegible] at Crosby last Friday night Mr. [illegible] was presented with a beautiful [illegible] the handsomest [illegible] ticket agent. [illegible] was the fortunate drawer of [illegible] that gave him the distinguished honor of being the homeliest man in town.

—Mesdames Jas. A. and Chas. McKean, S. J. Gifford, W. F. Speer, A. L. Colegrove, W. E. Speer, A. L. Colegrove, Carrie Reilly and E. Olson, and Misses Lena Wright, Hannah and Lizzie Walsh, gave a most enjoyable card and dancing party at the opera house last Tuesday night. Lunch was served at the Wright House.

—Mr. Chas. D. Kellogg is a phenomenon and a novelty never before dreamed of. Owing to a peculiar and unprecedented anatomical construction of the throat, lips and tongue, he has complete control over the muscles of these organs, and is able to produce the songs of every variety of singing birds. Mr. Kellogg is not a whistler; he is a bird warbler. At the opera house Feb. 8.

—S. C. Townsend has resigned the cashiership of Hamlins' bank to accept the position of treasurer of a gas company at Logan, Ohio. Mr. Townsend has been cashier of the bank for the past seventeen or eighteen years and has made a great many friends in this borough and county during that time, who will regret his departure but wish him most abundant success in his new occupation. Mrs. Townsend and daughter will remain here until spring.

—A. C. Drake, a well-known sewing machine agent of this city, died in Kane yesterday, aged 35 years. Mr. Drake went to Kane to transact some business. He was ill when he went there and had to retire to bed in the Continental House. Physicians were called in but they could [illegible] and Mr. Drake passed away at 1:30 p. m. Deceased had been a resident of Bradford for many years and was a well-known man. He belonged to the Knights of the Maccabees.—Bradford Star, Saturday.

—At St. Luke's church on next Sunday evening the celebrated motet, or short sacred oratorio, "Gallia," will be rendered by the choir. This is one of the finest of the great French composer's works, written by Gounod after the Franco-German war, and with reference to the desolate state of his country as pictured by the prophet Jeremiah in Lamentations, chapter 1. The Rector will explain the verses from this chapter and give an interpretation of the music. The motet is written for soprano solo, recitative, chorus and organ. All are cordially invited to attend the service.

—Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Rena Richmond, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Richmond, of Smethport, to Mr. Charles W. T. Balsley of Brooklyn, N. Y. Miss Richmond is a niece of F. O. Richmond, the genial conductor on the B. R. & K. R. R., and is a sister of Assistant Superintendent Harry Richmond of the same company. She is an estimable young lady, and is very popular at the county seat.—Kane Republican. Again the old saying, you must go away from home to find out what is going on among your nearest neighbors, is verified.

—Editor Lillibridge of the Port Allegany Reporter is crowing long and lustily over the good news that that enterprising town is to have another new glass factory. He certainly has the laugh on auburn-haired Ole Burlson, late of Cross Fork, now of the MINER, who claimed all along as soon as Mark Hanna (McKinley) was elected president (?) that Smethport would have the above plant, and other industries too numerous to mention. Port Allegany was too many for 'em, and while Port enjoys these booms, Smethport may have the cackling mains.—Potter Democrat. Poor, deluded rag. That is about as close as it ever comes to the truth.

—Thomas Purtle assumed charge of the laundry last Monday, changing the name to the Nunundah Laundry. Mr. Purtle will move the machinery to the first floor and add some new. He is determined to give satisfaction and desires to say to his patrons that if work is not satisfactory they can return the laundry and it will be done over again free of charge. Mr. Purtle will supply neck bands and make all necessary repairs free. He will cater to the surrounding towns and will do all in his power to satisfy his patrons. Now if the people of Smethport desire to retain a good laundry it remains in their power to do so. As Mr. Purtle offers to do everything that is fair, he is deserving of patronage.

—A deep religious interest continues at the Methodist church, under the direction of the pastor, Dr. Walker. The congregations last Sunday, both morning and evening, were large and thoughtful. At the close of the morning session the pastor received eleven persons into the church on probation. All adults but one. After the evening sermon three persons arose for the prayers of the church. Over 20 persons have already indicated their purpose to enter upon the "new life." The following subjects will be discussed next Sabbath: In the morning, "The Transfiguration of Jesus;" in the evening, "The Power of Truth, or St. Paul before Agrippa." A most cordial invitation is extended to all by the church and pastor.

—D. C. Young of Smethport, who is not only a successful merchant, but the owner of several valuable farms, which have proven profitable properties, is clearly of the opinion that McKean county will in time become a great sheep growing region. He says that the great abundance of living springs on our mountain sides, and the grasses growing there, are exactly adapted to the healthy growth of the finest strain of sheep, and that a million of them can be sustained at one time.—Kane Republican. Mr. Young has the proper conception of the matter and now that the Dingley bill has arranged matters so that a farmer will dare look a sheep in the face once more they should cultivate a closer acquaintance.

New Libel Law Unconstitutional.

Judge White of the Lawrence county court has declared Pennsylvania's new libel law unconstitutional. Judge White bases this opinion upon the conflict between the State constitution, which gives protection to the character of every citizen, with the provisions of the new law for only actual and remunerative damages. Just why any other damages should be recoverable Judge White does not state, but it would appear to the layman that character is amply protected by the new law, which also [illegible] a certain measure of protection for the publisher. The opinion is of interest because it is the first judicial expression regarding the new law.—Newspaperdom.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three little things created—they are the ant, the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the last being the famous little pills for stomach and liver troubles. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Sheriff Davis visited Kane yesterday.

[illegible] J. E. [illegible] visited Kane Monday.

T. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

W. [illegible] of Eldred spent Sunday in town.

T. H. [illegible] had business in Bradford Wednesday.

C. M. Colegrove visited Jamestown last Wednesday.

Judge Henry Hamlin paid a visit to Erie on Monday last.

Mr. and Mrs. John Forrest visited Corning last Saturday.

G. W. Mitchell visited Bradford on business last Saturday.

W. E. Butts of Clermont was in town on business Tuesday.

C. L. Peck of Coudersport was a brief visitor in town Monday.

G. D. Mayo was greeting Coudersport friends last Saturday.

Jas. Biggins of Eldred was in town on business last Saturday.

Att'y E. L. Ryan of Kane spent Sunday with his parents here.

"Tammany" John was a guest at the Central last Monday night.

W. H. Olmsted expects to go to his home at Brockwayville to-day.

J. W. Wegley of Kane was a pleasant caller at this office Monday.

Miss Julia Schott and Arthur Taylorson of Olean were in town Sunday.

Pat Gaynor of Clermont was greeting old friends in town last Saturday.

C. E. LeFevre and Miss Maggie Bowes drove to Port Allegany on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James McGuier enjoyed a sleigh ride to Bradford Wednesday.

R. Kilpatrick of Cyclone was a most agreeable caller at this office Monday.

C. H. Moore of Bradford was a most agreeable caller at this office last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Berry of Bradford were guests at the Wright House Tuesday.

Miss Kathryn Cassidy of Ormsby has been the guest for a few days of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Colegrove.

Mrs. Henry Hamlin has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. H. Rose, at Binghamton for a few days.

Mrs. James McGuier and daughter, Edith, returned last Saturday from a several days' visit at Buffalo.

H. C. Rich of Buffalo and Prof. W. H. Crawford of Meadville were guests at the Central Wednesday.

S. C. Townsend, late cashier in Hamlins' bank, left last Monday for Logan, Ohio, on a business mission.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Provin of Newerf attended the old folks' party at the opera house last Tuesday.

F. M. Knapp and M. W. Wilber, two of Warren's prominent citizens were here on business Tuesday last.

Miss Tina Powell came over from Bradford Saturday to spend Sunday with her sister, Mrs. L. K. Hogarth.

Mrs. Mary Cummings of Johnsonburg arrived Monday and has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. A. E. Taylor, at the Central.

Mrs. W. T. Munn of Lindley, N. Y., arrived last Saturday and has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Ralph Burdick.

Sheriff Davis enjoyed a cutter ride through the snow drifts on Bush hill last Wednesday. He states that at present the drifts are simply terrible.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Richmond and children came over from Bradford last Monday and were the guests of Ed. Richmond and wife.

Rev. Allan C. Prescott of Port Allegany was in town Tuesday and Wednesday, and officiated at St. Luke's church on Wednesday morning.

Last night Prof. W. P. Eckels and Misses Hubbard, Dibble, Allen and Tate went to Kane to attend the Teachers' Association meeting. They will return to-morrow night.

Good Sermon.

Rev. J. Heber McCandless preached a very able sermon last Sunday evening on "Christ Stilling the Tempest." This subject when properly handled is one of the most impressive in the new testament. What a surprise the Master must have been to the bewildered and frightened disciples when they were constrained to say, "What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the waves obey him?" There are many earnest Christians who are overcome by the trials and difficulties in life who seem to forget the Master's presence until waves mountain high, begin to roll over their troubled souls. When all other hopes have fled, then, in the last emergency, they call upon the loving Master to still the tempest, and peace once more reigns where before all was chaos. Like the disciples they forget to cast their troubles on him who has power to save to the uttermost. They seem not to remember that "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life."

Queer Orders.

A Jersey City druggist is making a collection of the queer orders he receives from people who send children to the store for things they need. Here are a few samples of them:

"This child is my little girl. I sent you five cents to buy to sitless powders for a grown up adult who is sike."

Another reads:

"Dear Dochter, pleas gif bearer five sense worse of Auntie Toxyn for to garfle babi's throte and oblege."

An anxious mother writes:

"You will please give the leetle boi five cents worth of ipecac for to throw up in a five months old babe. N. B.—The babe has a sore stumick."

This one puzzled the druggist: "I have a cute pane in my child's diagram. Please give my son something to release it."

"My little baby has eat up its father's parish plaster. Send an antedote quick by enclosed little girl."

The writer of this one was evidently in pain:

"I haf a hot time in my insides and wich I wood like to be extinguished. What is good for to extinguish it? The enclosed quarter is for the price of the extinguish it? Hurry please."—New York Sun.

Farm to Let.

I have a farm to let of 200 acres on which there are good buildings, about three miles from this place. On the farm are twenty-five cows. Milk is sent to the creamery when running. When creamery is not in operation butter is made on the farm. I want a sober, industrious man, who has a good team; with a wife who is neat and tidy and a good butter maker. None other need apply.

D. C. YOUNG.
5-tf Smethport, Pa., Feb'y 2, 1898.

We are anxious to do a little good in this world and can think of no pleasanter or better way to do it than by recommending One Minute Cough Cure as a preventive of pneumonia, consumption and other serious lung troubles that follows neglected colds. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

I have for sale a good bicycle. Would trade the same for a colt past two years old or pay cash for same. Call on or address

R. H. DUNTLEY,
Smethport, Pa.

Are you contemplating buying a Piano or Organ? Drop us a postal for free catalogue and lowest prices ever offered.

C. WILLARD & Co.
49-tf Olean, N. Y.

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

House for sale or rent. Possession given April 1.

[illegible]

[illegible] the best [illegible] Blankets [illegible] goods [illegible] prices.

The MINER and Tribune $1.[illegible]

[illegible] CORRESPONDENCE.

[illegible]

[illegible] for his appearance [illegible] was taken to Smethport Saturday.

Bradford is infested with a company of tramps who loaf on the front and beg on the back streets. One of the "phenomenal" went into a newspaper office Thursday and begged for some papers. He was given some exchanges and explained that aside from the pleasure he got from reading them they were also very useful as an article of clothing. The tramp said that when traveling he often covered himself from head to foot with newspapers, pinned together, and that no one who had not tried a similar device would believe how warm they were.

Chauncey Stuart, who is working for a base ball team for Bradford, will place 500 shares of Bradford base ball stock at $10 per share. The electric street railway company in a communication to Jas. A. Lindsey say they will give $1,000 toward the fixing of the ground and the establishment of a team. The league which the "fans" are trying to get into will be made up of the following towns: Erie, Warren, Butler, Sharon, Clarion, Titusville, Corry, Olean and Bradford.

Several exciting runaways have occurred this week and a number of persons were injured to a greater or less extent. Tuesday morning a horse driven by Otto Chamberlain took fright at a trolley car on Congress street. Chamberlain was walking at the side of the wagon, which was piled high with boxwood. When the horse started to run the man was knocked down and one runner and the entire load passed over his body. His injuries were very painful, but will not result seriously.

Saturday afternoon a man entered the Bay State hotel and stole a kit of piano-tuning tools belonging to Prof. Brooks. After vainly endeavoring to dispose of the tools he went into the tailoring establishment of J. C. Flynn and stole a pair of $8.00 pants, afterwards selling them for the munificent sum of 40 cents. The police heard of his escapades and he was promptly locked up. He gave his name as William Fry and afterwards as Fred Shein and said he was from Buffalo.

Major Edith Marshall, national auxiliary special of the Salvation Army, is in the city and has made several speeches in regard to the army and its works. Miss Marshall is one of the pioneers of the army, having commenced the work in France under terrible persecution. She was also private secretary for Mrs. Ballington Booth for five years. While in Bradford Major Marshall is the guest of Mayor and Mrs. Fagnan.

The Pompeian club met Saturday evening in the church of Eternal hope to discuss the subject "One World at a Time." At all these lectures it happens that the discussion is merely an argument between Agnostics and Christians and this was no exception to the rule. Next Saturday the subject for the evening is "Incidents in the History of Pennsylvania," to be opened by James George, Esq.

Humane Officer Heard is investigating a case of alleged cruelty to children. A Third ward woman made a complaint to a police officer that her husband forced their little children to steal pigeons and chickens. The man would then sell the fowls and with the money thus obtained buy whiskey. If the story is found to be true the fellow will be punished to the full extent of the law.

After much discussion and rivalry from the lodges of other cities, the Maccabee Lodge of this city has been given the K. O. T. M. brooms, two in number. They are the prizes given to the largest tent in the State and in the nation. Bradford tent numbers 465. Braddock tent was a close second, but failed to get the prize which indicates a clean sweep.

Fire broke out in the machine shop of Close & Caldwell on Erie street Saturday evening about 6:30. A delay caused by a broken tip at a plug enabled the fire to get a considerable start before a stream could be turned on. The fire was under control in a half an hour. The loss was about $200, fully covered by insurance.

Tuna Valley Council No. 79 gave their fourth annual "stag" Tuesday evening at Malta Hall. The affair was given in honor of E. B. Sterrett, Grand Leader of the State. A delightful evening, in which the members of the Council and many others participated, was passed.

A milk wagon belonging to O. P. Buchanan had a collision with a trolley car recently and the milk got spilled, for which, and other injuries received, Mr. Buchanan was awarded $15 damages from the company. In this case it paid to cry over spilled milk.

The B., R. & P. railroad will in the near future, put in several side tracks at S. & B. junction. Traffic is very heavy on the road and these tracks will be put in to relieve the Bradford and Ashford junction yards, which are frequently blocked with cars.

B. F. Hazelton, the well-known lumberman and business man of this city, is very ill at his home on School street. Mr. Hazelton's health has been poor for some time and it is thought his heart is affected.

An Italian laborer named James Cook, who is employed at the Alumina Brick Works at Lewis Run, is at the Bradford hospital suffering from injuries received by a rock falling on his leg.

Prof. E. E. Miller of the Bradford public schools, will be one of the prominent speakers at the teachers' institute, being held at Kane the last three days of this week.

Last week we had several lectures under the auspices of the Woman's Club that were listened to by large and appreciative audiences.

The wife of a well-known newspaper man of this city has applied, through the McKean county courts, for a divorce from her husband.

During the month of January 40 arrests were made in this city. Fifty-six homeless wanderers were given lodging in that time.

CLERMONT.

At 3 o'clock last Saturday morning the fire alarm was sounded which immediately called out the hose company. It was discovered that the meat market of McCarty & Amend was all ablaze and the flames had already spread to the adjoining building occupied by Butts & Keating as a meat market. By the prompt action of the hose company the fire was soon under control, not, however, until the meat market of McCarty & Amend, together with its content, was almost completely ruined. The losses are estimated as follows: McCarty & Amend $800, insurance $500; L. Steinhauer, building, $150, insurance $100; S. J. McKendrick, damage to building, $25, fully insured; Boyd & Smith, damage to building, $40, fully insured. The cause of the fire is unknown. Had it not been for our city water the entire business portion of the town would have been wiped out.

Mr. Daily of Larabee, who was employed in the Lyman mines, met with an accident while removing some rock from a ditch in the mines on Tuesday last. The rock he was trying to remove slipped and in some way fell on his leg and broke it. He was taken to his home at Larabee on the afternoon train.

Geo. Rudolph of Glen Hazel was in town on Tuesday last. He reports business very quiet there and wishes himself back to Clermont.

John Troy of Olean was in town on Tuesday last, adjusting the damages done by the recent fire.

TURTLE POINT.

Died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Albert Barrows at Open Brook, Jan. 27, 1898, Mrs. L. F. Clark, aged 77 years. Interment in Grimes cemetery. Rev. Miller of this place officiating.

Mesdames Wm. Fuller and Williard Taylor attended the funeral of Henry Thall at Grimes district this week.

Mrs. Mary Pafkin, Mrs. Wm. Whitney and Miss Angie Whitney took a sleigh ride to Eldred this week.

Henry, eldest son of Martin Thalls, died at Open Brook this week of typhoid fever.

George Thaynes and wife of Sartwell visited at Charles Taylor's this week.

Miss L. E. Acre made a business trip to Eldred last Thursday.

Dr. Ida Strobridge has hung out a handsome new sign.

A. M. Gillett made a flying trip to Eldred Monday.

Turtle Point has a new photograph gallery.

ANNIN CREEK.

[illegible]

[illegible] of Farmers Valley hauled a [illegible] R. Jones's [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] a couple of days last week.

[illegible] Frank Holcomb's [illegible]

[illegible] is improving every minute [illegible]

[illegible] a load of apples to Bradford last Wednesday.

F. M. Winship had business in Port Allegany Friday.

[illegible] Marsh was over from Shongo one day last week.

RIDERVILLE.

Misses Lillie and Ada Marshall of Bradford were calling on friends at this place last week.

A number of young people of this place attended the concert at Mt. Alton Friday evening.

Charlie, what were you doing with Geo. Beaumont's twine Thursday evening?

Wm. Crites returned Thursday from a week's visit in Perry, N. Y.

C. H. Crites was calling on his parents the first of the week.

Clinton Graham and wife drove to Bradford Saturday.

Wm. Grover and Jas. Parker left for Turtle Point Friday.

C. Graham and W. Hilton were in Mt. Jewett Friday.

H. E. Lee and Mrs. S. Crites drove to Ormsby Friday.

W. J. Lee went to Marshburg last week.

Mrs. John Simpson is on the sick list.

CALIFORNIA.

Personally-Conducted Tour via Pennsylvania Railroad

The next personally-conducted tour to California via the Pennsylvania Railroad will leave New York, Philadelphia and Pittsburg by the "Golden Gate Special" on Wednesday, February 16, stopping at the Great Mammoth Cave and New Orleans during the Mardi Gras Carnival. Four weeks will be allowed on the Pacific coast. Returning stops will be made at Salt Lake City, Colorado Springs (Garden of the Gods), Denver, Chicago, &c. Round-trip rate, including transportation, meals en route, carriage drives, hotel accommodations en route, and Pullman berth Los Angeles to San Francisco, and transportation in California, $310 from all stations east of Pittsburg; with hotel accommodations, meals, transfers and carriage drives through California for four weeks, $135 additional. An experienced chaperon will accompany the party for the benefit of the lady tourists.

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For tickets, itineraries and full information apply to ticket agents, Tourist Agent, 1196 Broadway, New York, or address Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad street station, Philadelphia.

From an Old Soldier.

Knox, Ind., Jan. 14, 1897.

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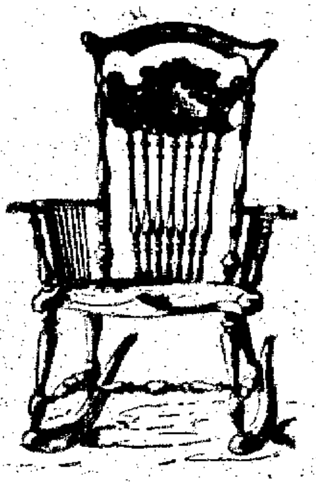

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—[illegible] Times.

AN EERIE EPISODE.

It was at a masquerade at [illegible] in one of the old Roman palaces. There were music, the tripping sound of dancing feet, laughter and the [illegible] hum of conversation mingled in a gay medley.

Carson, an American, a new arrival in the city and a stranger to that [illegible], had been [illegible] separated from the friend who brought him to the crowd shortly after his entrance to the ballroom.

He was wandering listlessly among the merry maskers, quite regardless of their glee and laughter at his expense. [illegible] he turned aside from the glaring lights and went to the shade and coolness of the balcony.

The wide casement at the end of the room was open and gave an unobstructed view of the [illegible] scene without. A divan near the balustrade offered a place for repose, but it was not until he was seated that he was aware of the presence of a lady. She occupied the farther end of the divan and was partially concealed by the drooping tree ferns and palms with which the balcony was decorated. She moved slightly in her nest of [illegible] cushions, and her fan fell with a slight clatter upon the stone floor.

Carson picked it up and gave it to her with a [illegible] bow. She thanked him, speaking in English, with just the slightest Italian accent.

"I fear that I am intruding, signora," he said.

"Not so. The balcony is free to all who come. There can be no intrusion."

She reached up her hand as she spoke and pushed aside the feathery branches that swayed between them. Then he saw that she was young and very fair to look upon.

Her face was decidedly English. She wore an [illegible] gown of [illegible] that was gathered up closely about her neck and fell to her feet in long, clinging folds—strongly suggestive of a [illegible] costume. Two beautifully shaped arms were bare to the shoulder, and the small hands that lay in her lap looked as though they had been modeled in wax.

She leaned back, resting her head upon the [illegible], her fan waving languidly to and fro.

"[illegible]," said the American, taking the [illegible] and ivory trifle from her hand and fanning her gently.

She smiled a [illegible] consent, and then began talking.

It was so warm in the ballroom and [illegible] to think of dancing, she said. Did the gentleman dance? Perhaps he was not acquainted with many ladies [illegible] in Rome? Was he an artist [illegible]?

"Neither, signora. I am an attache."

"From what country—England?"

"No—America."

"America! Ah, that marvelous land!"

She chatted on in an open, friendly manner until a bevy of tired dancers invaded their domain. Among them was [illegible].

"Good heavens, Carson! Where have you been? I have looked everywhere for you. [illegible], and it is time for supper. No doubt you are starving. Come, I have secured a table, and you are to meet some charming women. What have you been doing here all alone? It was exceedingly stupid [illegible]."

"I have not been alone," replied Mr. Carson. He glanced around, but the lady was gone.

"What about [illegible] who was with you?"

"The lady. Did you not see her when you came?"

"[illegible], my dear boy. I saw no lady. [illegible] you out there mooning, staring in a most sentimental manner at the [illegible] hanging over [illegible]. Come along. They are waiting for us."

They lingered long over their supper. There were many high pitched talking [illegible] laughter, but Carson was not in a state of hilarity. His restless, bored glance wandered over the assembly, and once he started and turned sharply in [illegible] at the low voice of a woman [illegible] passed close beside him.

[illegible] tried to rally him on his [illegible], but his brow contracted fretfully, and he nervously fingered a spray of [illegible] that lay by his plate. He escaped early when the ball was over and [illegible] found himself on the pavement outside of the palace.

A cab was waiting, but without [illegible] he declined to accompany [illegible], saying he preferred to walk to his hotel. He [illegible] along slowly, [illegible] staring at the [illegible] shadows cast by the waning moon. As he was passing across the [illegible] he heard a low voice:

"[illegible] meet again?"

[illegible] It was his new acquaintance [illegible] him.

"[illegible] You here at this hour and [illegible]? Where are your friends?"

"[illegible] You will walk with me [illegible], will you not?"

"[illegible] But your friends—their [illegible]."

[illegible] through the square and [illegible] almost in silence. [illegible] she stopped before the [illegible] of a house.

"Here, signor!" she said.

[illegible] she swayed [illegible] and caught his arm, at the same time uttering a smothered cry.

"You are hurt!" he exclaimed anxiously. "You have twisted your ankle [illegible]."

"I fear so." She pressed her hand [illegible] and looked into his eyes [illegible].

"You cannot walk." He stooped and gathered her up into his arms. "I will carry you. Which floor?"

"The fourth," she replied, her face [illegible] in the light of the early day [illegible].

[illegible] his ring. [illegible] the first flight of stairs without [illegible], carrying her as a [illegible] child, happy at the [illegible] of her bare arms against [illegible] the closed lids.

[illegible] of the stairs [illegible] ping.

"Signora," he faltered.

He sought to renew his hold, but the burden, now a dead weight, slid from his arms, and she fell with a heavy thud to the floor.

"What noise is this?" called a masculine voice in Italian.

Carson began a hasty explanation to the man, whose head protruded from a partially open door.

The man came forward and bent over her.

"She does not belong here," he said. "She is a stranger. She is pale as death. Unfasten her clothing. She must have fainted. Where is the janitor? The fool! He never is here when he is needed. Call him, signor, and send for a physician." His hasty hand broke the knot of ribbon that confined her bodice. With a wild exclamation he instantly loosened his hold on her dress and started backward. The full throat and white bust were exposed. There were deep bluish purple bands around the throat and a gaping dagger wound, dark with coagulated blood, on the snowy bosom.

Their cries aroused the janitor, who hastened to call the police. Presently he returned, panting up the stairs, accompanied by an officer. Carson drew aside the curtain, and the bright light of day fell upon the body.

"Holy Virgin!" cried the policeman as he saw the dead woman.

"Can you identify her?" asked Carson.

"Yes," returned the man. "She is the woman who was found murdered on the Corso night before last. How came she here?"—M. M. Hahn in Argonaut.

SHEEP IN NEW ENGLAND.

A Vermont Farmer Tells About the Profits of This Industry.

A Massachusetts correspondent writes as follows to The New England Homestead: "Kindly inform me whether a man with a fair knowledge of sheep could make a success of the business here in New England by leasing two or more hill farms, stocking them with from 300 to 500 ewes and devoting all time and labor to them and such crops as it was practical to raise for the consumption of the sheep, thus making the sheep the only source of income from the farm." To this query a Vermont farmer replied.

"A man with a fair knowledge of the sheep business could lease a farm in my locality that would carry 200 ewes for $125 cash yearly rental—a mountain farm, I mean. He could do the work on the farm with, say, $50 for help in haying and in the oat harvest. He would not be so likely to succeed with two farms. The question of personal supervision would enter into the problem to his disadvantage with two farms unless they were situated so as to be the same as one farm. If he should get one farm that would carry 400 or 500 ewes the question of hired help would trouble him, and we must assume that your man is a poor man, with a family to bring up and not going into the business to demonstrate a proposition, but to get a *living*. So he should get a farm that will pasture 200 sheep and cut hay enough to winter them, say 45 tons. If the fences are good—and he must look out for that—he can do the work himself, with the exception of the $50, and raise two acres of rutabagas, five acres of oats and five acres of rape. This would keep a pair of horses, two cows and the sheep.

"The 200 ewes should clip 1,400 pounds of wool, which would bring today $300. If he does his duty by his sheep, he should have 200 lambs to sell and leave 30 of his best ewe lambs in the flock. If he raises his five acres of rape and takes care of the lambs, he will get $5 each for them the 1st of November, which would amount to $1,000. Allowing for losses, which should not exceed 10 ewes, he would have 10 ewes to sell fat, at $5 each, for $50. Now we have $1,350 income from the sheep. His outgo would be: Rent, $125; wages, $50; tools and repairs on tools, $75; seeds, $25; repairs on buildings to make them comfortable for lambing first year, $75; total, $350.

"Now, without looking ahead to see where my figures would land I have hit upon an even $1,000 with which to pay taxes, interest and support the family. To this should be added the income from the two cows and the poultry and pigs.

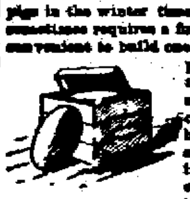
"I speak with confidence in the above statement from the fact that I have a farm nine miles from home that I carry on as a sheep farm pure and simple and know what it costs. I get much better prices for my sheep, however, than those above. I make my wethers yield me about $13 each, dressed. For 14 years my average was about $15, but you asked what a man with a 'fair' knowledge of the business can do."

Pennsylvania's Abandoned Farms.

Last spring there were scores of abandoned farms, which had not been cultivated for several years, all over eastern Pennsylvania. In Berks county alone these farms numbered about 100. They ranged in size from 10 to 75 acres. The average was 40 acres. Today few of these properties are idle. They have been rented and are now occupied. This is one of the most noteworthy evidences of an improvement among the agricultural classes. The demand for farm real estate has for the last three months been steadily increasing. Both buyers and tenants are much more numerous than a year ago, and the price of land has increased at least 15 per cent. One cause of this increase is the advance in the price of grain. Continued hard times in cities and boroughs have caused some men with large families to leave their town homes and settle down on small farms, where they expect to be able to live well without the exertion that is required in the city or borough to support a family, and they can keep all their children at work and yet have them at home. It is predicted that by next spring the "abandoned farm" will be entirely a thing of the past in this section of the state, according to a communication from Reading, Pa., in the New York Tribune.

Easy Way to Cook Food.

It sometimes becomes necessary to cook a mass of feed for the poultry or pigs in the winter time, and to do so sometimes requires a fire when it is not convenient to build one. Following is a plan suggested in the Iowa Homestead: Place an old keg or half barrel in a box and pack around it with straw or chaff. Provide both barrel and box with tight fitting lids. Then, having mixed the feed with hot water, put it in the inner receptacle and place both lids in position. The mass will cook in the time elapsing from one feed to the next. It is surprising how long the water will remain hot, even in very cold weather.



THE WITHIN A BOX.

Wintering Bees.

An Ohio correspondent of The Farm Journal drops the following hints: Use only good cellars for wintering bees. A good cellar is one that is dry and well ventilated. Such a cellar will keep bees from freezing and be of great advantage to them.

Each hive should have 30 pounds sealed stores, honey or sugar syrup.

A draft should never strike a hive in the cellar. Keep the cellar dark.

The thermometer should be kept at 45 or 48 degrees if possible. Keep rats out of the cellar as much as you can. Have a hole in the floor to let the thermometer [illegible]. Regulate [illegible].

At [illegible] a man's hair turns gray [illegible] than a woman's.

STABLE FLOOR DRAINAGE.

Iron Gutters Which Carry the Liquids Away as Fast as They Fall.

In reply to the request of a reader for a plan for good stable drainage the Ohio Farmer illustrates and describes a method commended by F. W. Bach in his book "How to Judge a Horse."

Fig. 1 in the first cut represents a stall 5 feet wide and 9½ feet long.

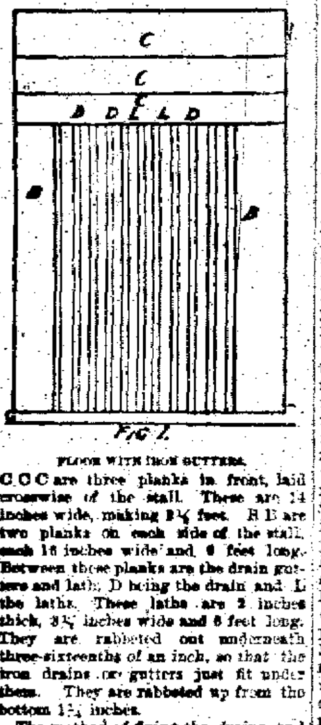


FIG 1.

FLOOR WITH IRON GUTTERS.

C C C are three planks in front, laid crosswise of the stall. These are 14 inches wide, making 3½ feet. B B are two planks on each side of the stall, each 18 inches wide and 6 feet long. Between these planks are the drain gutters and laths, D being the drain and L the laths. These laths are 2 inches thick, 3½ inches wide and 6 feet long. They are rabbeted out underneath three-sixteenths of an inch, so that the iron drains or gutters just fit under them. They are rabbeted up from the bottom 1½ inches.

The method of fixing the drains and laths is shown in the end view, second cut, Fig. 2, L being the lath, with gutter between. The laths are fastened down by long screws, the heads well sunk in. They can be removed easily, if desired, to renew the lath or make any repairs. The iron drain or gutter is shown in Fig. 3. G in Fig. 1 is the rear gutter into which the liquids flow to be carried off. This gutter can be made of cement. The iron drains are 1¼ inches high, an inch wide inside, about one-eighth inch thick and 6 feet long, closed at the front or head end and open at the other. The laths and gutters project over the gutter G an inch or more. The incline of the floor from manger to gutter should not be over three inches.

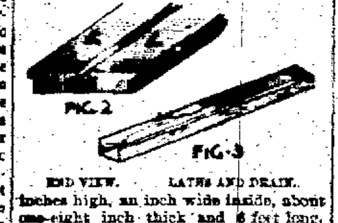


FIG. 2 — END VIEW. FIG. 3 — LATHS AND DRAIN.

The Marsden Process.

The Marsden process consists in saving the waste of dry cornstalks. They are ground. The cellulose or pith is then separated, leaving a residuum of ground meal. The ratio in bulk is about one part of meal to one of cellulose. The ratio in weight is said to be seven parts or more of meal to one of cellulose. This dry meal has been fed to live stock for a long period at the Maryland experiment station. It proves to be equal to if not better than the best of hay in the production of meat and milk in combination with other food to make it complete—that is to say, used in the same manner as hay is used as a part of a ration.

The cellulose will have a vast number of uses. The most conspicuous use will be in the construction of naval vessels. For this purpose it is compressed to 6¼ pounds to the cubic foot, in which condition it will absorb 20 times its volume of water. For naval purposes it is made into large blocks, each of which is placed in a cell in the steel hull of the ship, notably at the bow and stern, and between decks so as to protect the deck over the vital points of the ship, the center of the vessel being protected with steel plates. Such a vessel has great power of flotation. The center of gravity is altered so that the gun deck has very much greater stability in action. It is claimed that such a vessel is unsinkable.—Country Gentleman.

Making Sugar From Beets.

Much is said nowadays in agricultural newspapers about making sugar from beets. The experience of France and Germany long ago showed that this can be done profitably where labor is cheap enough. It is in this connection that American Cultivator says:

"There is much land in all our northern states where good beets for sugar making can be grown. In New York state, under the influence of a state bounty on beet sugar, several beet sugar factories have been started this year. While the sugar making experiments have been entirely successful it is not yet certain whether the sugar can be produced at a profit to the manufacturers. But as the price paid for the beets is only $5 per ton it is doubtful whether many farmers who live near markets can grow and haul their beets to the factories for the price. Farther from the factories there would be increased cost of transporting the beets to the places where the sugar is to be manufactured. The farmer who grows beets at this price gives much labor and gets very little for it."

The Ruined California Grape Crop.

The partial loss of the grape crop this year, caused by the heavy rains, is estimated to exceed $1,000,000. Farmers and vineyards all over the northern part of the State have suffered. While this is true, it is equally a fact that lost and failing strength may be restored by the persistent, systematic use of the great national tonic, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which renews and tones the activity of the stomach, liver and the bowels, counteracts a tendency to rheumatism and kidney complaint, and prevents malarial disorders. After exhausting diseases have run their course, recovery is greatly accelerated by the use of the Bitters, which improves appetite and imparts renewed vigor to the debilitated physique.

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[illegible]
The [illegible] upon the young tree [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] of frosts. Well! Well!
Why should we dwell on failings that are past?

For [illegible], behold, the green and [illegible]
Of early spring
Are dry and withered in the very [illegible]
They were love's first faint [illegible]
[illegible]
Taking swift wing,
Leaving a fragrant memory, but [illegible]

Let us not speak of [illegible] with us [illegible]
They have made [illegible]
For the rich bloom and fruitage [illegible]
And born of spirit rather than [illegible]
Making our day
Glad with the freshness of [illegible]

Eternal! [illegible], I do believe it so,
And in our time
Let dull analysis and doubting go.
Unquestioning, [illegible]
Like [illegible] and these
The fullness of [illegible]
—Annie L. Mussey in New York Sun.

TO BEGINNERS IN FICTION.

Good Advice For Those Who Attempt to Write Books.

Read up on United States history—you will get some useful information anyway—and see what you can do with that. Don't take your scene from France or Italy, where you have never been. Home is nearer and just as good. If you can light upon an idea which has not been done to death, or a situation unhackneyed or unfamiliar, make the most of it. New England has been so run upon that it affords material only to a few experts. The middle states and those between the Ohio and the Rockies, locally speaking, are a poor literary field, but the south and far west are not worked out yet. Avoid dialect; as a main reliance its day is done. Avoid "hifalutin," "spread eagle and ripsnorting" style; they are of the pre remoter past. Find out what your bent is, if you have any, and what you have to say, if anything; if not, seek other pursuits. Remember that a poor story or essay is of less value than a peck of inferior apples, and that the author of a bad novel is entitled to no more respect than a shoemaker or a farmer who does not understand his business. The pioneers of our literature may have done what now seems poor work, but they knew no better then and had nothing better—they were pioneers, and as such entitled to a place in history—but nobody is going to write the history of the multifarious literary efforts of our time that come to nothing.

Whatever you do take pains with it. Try at least to write good English. Learn to criticise and correct your work. Put your best into every sentence. If you are too lazy and careless to do that, better go into trade or politics. It is easier to become a congressman or millionaire than a real author, and we have too many bad story tellers as it is.—Lippincott's Magazine.

A Spin on an Ice Yacht.

The wind is strong and steady, and the boat glides faster and faster. Sharp exclamations of pleasure testify that the passengers are enjoying it. The speed increases. Before lies a field smooth as plate glass and level as a billiard table. For two miles it extends without a flaw. At its farther edge lies a tremendous crack filled with ground up ice and heaving black water. The full power of the wind strikes the white wings as the smoothest ice is reached, and the craft darts away at a tremendous pace. Faster, faster, she flies, till she is traveling faster than the wind that drives her. The air seems to be full of electric sparks; a frosty haze blurs the view; every heart is throbbing with delight at the wild, free speed of it all. [illegible] one has had time to think the crack seems to be rushing at the boat. A moment of intense anxiety, a catching of breaths, a wild pumping of hearts, then a shriek of excited joy. The good boat has flown the gap as a hunter clears his fence, has flung it behind her with never a rap, and is tearing away over another good bit as though she had no need to touch anything more solid than the cold, sweet air.—Outing.

The Newest Stationery.

The latest fad in paper is a sheet the size of the envelope, which goes into its envelope without folding. In the usual correspondence size—that small size used for a hurried note or invitation—the style goes very well, but when it comes to larger sizes stationers say it will not take. In this connection it is reported in the New York Herald that the most popular style is a sheet of paper which folds in half and fits into an envelope which has a square flap. This style comes in billet, note and letter sizes, and the envelopes are graduated to match. The favorite colors are white, cream, azure, regimental gray and bond blue. The fancy tints of pinks and heliotropes, yellows and greens, though carried to meet a certain demand for them, are considered in poor taste.

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[illegible] will [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] of their [illegible]
[illegible] to make [illegible]
[illegible]

In old times when there [illegible] of their growing so slowly [illegible], the [illegible] many years before the trees will reach a size to make them desirable for timber purposes. While trees have room to grow and are properly cared for most kinds of American trees will furnish useful timber in 20 or 30 years, and for many other purposes they can be employed even younger. It takes well on to a century for the struggling trees in a dense wood to have any marketable value.

While good timber is becoming gradually scarcer on account of our annual forest fires, rising from the conditions already stated, the demand is increasing, and, what is more remarkable, Europe is already calling on America for a supply of lumber. American oak especially is in great demand in the old world, while our black walnut is closely following in its wake. Our lighter woods also—such as the tulip tree and poplar—are coming into great demand there for packing boxes and other uses where light weight is a great object. Those who are interested in forestry in our country should take up the matter of encouragement of forest planting. It will soon be a greater question than forest preservation.—Meehan's Monthly.

ANCIENT POLITICAL "RINGS."

Olden Time Schemes For Obtaining Wealth and Power.

The evil of monopolies and rings was known to ancients, Aristotle referring to them in his "Politics," and then, as now, it was found necessary to hold them in check by legislation. The monopolist was in Roman law called a dardanarius and punished under the Lex Julia de Annona. Monopolies of clothing, fish and all articles of food were prohibited by the Emperor Zeno under pain of confiscation and exile, so that it is certain that the "rings" of the ancient days were as mischievous as they are now. At Athens a law limited the amount of a corn a man might buy. The earliest recorded instance we have was a corn "ring."

There is an ancient tradition that the king who made Joseph his prime minister and committed into his hands the entire administration of Egypt was Apapi. Apapi was one of the shepherd kings and ruled over the whole of Egypt as Joseph's pharaoh seems to have done. The prime minister during seven years of remarkable plenty bought up every bush. [illegible] beyond the [illegible] of the Egyptians and stored it. During the terrible famine that followed he was able to get his own price and [illegible] exclusively for the Egyptian money, cattle and land, and taking one-fifth for pharaoh, made him supremely wealthy. It was not merely a provement [illegible], but a very politic one, his policy being to centralize power in the [illegible] lands.—London [illegible].

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[illegible] a. m.—Train 8, weekdays, for Sunbury, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Hazleton, Pottsville, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] p. m., New York [illegible] p. m., Baltimore [illegible] p. m., Washington [illegible] p. m. Pullman Parlor car from Williamsport to Philadelphia, and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore and Washington.

[illegible] p. m.—Train 6, weekdays, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] a. m., New York 7.[illegible] a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 a. m.

[illegible] p. m.—Train 4, daily, for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] a. m., New York [illegible] a. m., week days ([illegible] a. m. Sundays). Baltimore [illegible] a. m., Washington 7.[illegible] a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Washington and passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia, and Williamsport to Baltimore. Passengers in sleeper for Baltimore and Washington will be transferred into Washington sleeper at Williamsport.

WESTWARD.

[illegible] a. m.—Train 9, weekdays, for Erie, Ridgway, DuBois, Clermont and intermediate stations.
[illegible] a. m.—Train 3, daily for Erie and weekdays for DuBois and intermediate stations.
[illegible] p. m.—Train 15, weekdays, for Kane and intermediate stations.

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Train 9 leaves New York [illegible] p. m., Philadelphia [illegible] p. m., Washington 7.[illegible] p. m., Baltimore [illegible] p. m., arriving at Emporium Junc. [illegible] a. m., weekdays, with Pullman sleepers and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Erie and from Washington and Baltimore to Williamsport.

Train 3, leaves New York 7.[illegible] p. m., Philadelphia [illegible] p. m., Washington [illegible] p. m., Baltimore [illegible] p. m., daily arriving at Emporium Junc. [illegible] a. m., with Pullman Palace sleeping cars from Philadelphia to Williamsport and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Erie and Baltimore to Williamsport, on Sundays only, Pullman sleeper Philadelphia to Erie.

Train 15 leaves Philadelphia [illegible] a. m., Washington [illegible] a. m., Baltimore [illegible] a. m., Wilkesbarre [illegible] a. m., weekdays, arriving at Emporium Junction [illegible] p. m. with Pullman Parlor car from Philadelphia to Williamsport and passenger coaches from [illegible] to Kane.

JOHNSONBURG RAILROAD.

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NORTH	STATIONS.	SOUTH
A. M.		A. M.
8.55	Ridgway	[illegible]
9.10	Johnsonburg	[illegible]
9.2[illegible]	Bendigo	[illegible]
9.[illegible]	Glen Hazel	[illegible]
9.36	Straight	[illegible]
9.4[illegible]	Instanter	[illegible]
9.46	Smith's Run	[illegible]
9.5[illegible]	Woodvale	[illegible]
10.0[illegible]	Clermont	[illegible]
A. M.		A. M.

Connections are made with train 3, leaving Johnsonburg at [illegible] a. m. for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie at [illegible] p. m. and at Ridgway with train 6, leaving Ridgway at [illegible] p. m. for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

J. B. HUTCHINSON, General Manager. J. R. WOOD, Gen'l Passenger Agt.

Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway

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On and after Nov. 28, 1897, passenger trains Between Buffalo, Rochester, Salamanca, Bradford, Ridgway, DuBois, Punxsutawney and the Coal and Lumber Regions of Pennsylvania, will leave Bradford and Mt. Jewett, daily except Sunday, as follows:

LEAVE BRADFORD—EAST-BOUND.

8.10 a. m.—Buffalo & Rochester Express—For Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden, Buffalo, Machias, Gainesville, Silver Springs, Warsaw, LeRoy and Rochester.

2.30 p. m.—Mail—For Salamanca, Ellicottville, Machias, Gainesville, Silver Springs, Warsaw, LeRoy, and Rochester.

6.35 p. m.—Buffalo Express—Daily, For Limestone, Carrollton, Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden and Buffalo.

LEAVE MT. JEWETT—SOUTH-BOUND.

7.47 a. m.—Accommodation—For Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.

1.41 p. m.—Mail—For Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.

Thousand Mile Tickets, good for passage between all stations, at two cents per mile.

For time tables and full information call on or address any of the Company's agents, or

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BUFFALO & SUSQUEHANNA R. R.

TIME TABLE.

Took effect Monday, June 15th, 1896.

1	3	5	STATIONS.	2	4	6
a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	Ar. Dp.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
8:50	2:20	7:20	Keating	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
8:35	2:02	7:05	Cowley Junc.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
8:25	1:50	7:00	Austin	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
......	1:37	6:50	Costello	[illegible]	[illegible]	......
......	1:26	6:35	Wharton	[illegible]	[illegible]	......
......	1:17	6:2[illegible]	Logue	[illegible]	[illegible]	......
......	1:0[illegible]	6:27	Hull	[illegible]	[illegible]	......
......	12:45	6:1[illegible]	Cross Fork Jc	[illegible]	[illegible]	......
......	12:30	5:51	Germania	[illegible]	[illegible]	......
......	12:00	5:[illegible]	Galeton	[illegible]	[illegible]	......
......	10:45	4:2[illegible]	Gaines	[illegible]	[illegible]	......
......	10:10	3:50	Ansonia	[illegible]	[illegible]	......
a. m.	p.m.	Dp.	Ar.	[illegible]		

[illegible]

H. HUTCHINSON, Train Master. G. W. HOWLEY, Gen'l Manager.

[illegible]

[illegible] on eastern standard time.

B. A. McCLURE, [illegible]

ST. MARYS & SOUTHWESTERN R. R.

To take effect at 7 o'clock a.m. Monday, August 17, 1896.

South		Stations	North	
1:1[illegible]	......	Clermont	[illegible]	......
1:20	......	Clermont Tank	[illegible]	......
1:36	......	Wildwood	[illegible]	......
[illegible]	......	North Fork	[illegible]	
[illegible]	......	Key Fork	[illegible]	
[illegible]	......	Gray Gulch	[illegible]	......
2:30	......	Ar St. Marys Lv	[illegible]	......
2:35	7:30	Lv St. Marys Ar	10:3[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	7:4[illegible]	Kaul	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	7:5[illegible]	Dedich	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	7:55	Gaul	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	8:0[illegible]	Gillen	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	8:07	Paine	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	8:11	Centreville	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	8:1[illegible]	Dagus Crossing	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	8:2[illegible]	Shelvey Summit	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	8:2[illegible]	Cunro	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	8:35	Thompson	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	8:37	Curry	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	8:42	Brandy Camp	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	8:47	Elbon	9:34	[illegible]
[illegible]	8:5[illegible]	Hyde	9:2[illegible]	[illegible]
4:05	9:01	Shawmut	9:1[illegible]	[illegible]
p m	a.m.		a.m.	pm

Bradford, Bordell and Kinzua Ry.

Time Table taking Effect Nov. 28th, 1897.

LEAVE SMETHPORT.

6:30 A. M.—Mail and Express, daily except Sunday, for Crosby Junction, Simpson, Bradford, Mt. Jewett and Kane connecting with P. & W. Ry. for Foxburg, Butler and Pittsburg.

10:30 A. M.—Daily except Sunday for Crosby Junction, Simpson, Bradford, Mt. Jewett and Kane.

5:05 P. M.—Mail and Express, daily except Sunday, for Crosby Junction, Simpson, Bradford, Mt. Jewett and Kane connecting at Kane with P. & E. train 4 for Wilcox, Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Emporium, Harrisburg, Baltimore, Washington and Philadelphia—and at Bradford with Erie R. R. train for Salamanca, Olean, Hornellsville, Elmira and New York.

Trains arrive at Smethport, daily except Sunday, at 9:35 a. m., 4:20 p. m. and [illegible] p. m.

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